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A FUTURE OLYMPIC STAR? Amy Van Dyken may have started just like this little water baby, Sophia Menos, 6½ months, who exhibits perfect form in the arms of her mother, Karen, at Community Park Pool. The coolness of the water proved refreshing to mother and daughter as well as to the hundreds of others who came to the pool this past hot and sunny Sunday. (Brian McCarthy photo)

Mt. Lucas Road the Proposed Site For New Assisted Living Facility

A Bernardsville partnership has received a certificate of need from the N.J. Department of Health for an assisted living facility on a 10-acre parcel of land off Mt. Lucas Road. The partnership has also applied to the N.J. Department of Environmental Protection and Energy for a freshwater wetlands Letter of Interpretation (LOI), an important preliminary step to making an application for approval from the Planning Board.

The property is owned by Princeton Research Lands. It is located at the corner of Mt. Lucas Road and the unbuilt section of Herrontown Road. Commodities Corp. is to the south along Mt. Lucas and the townhouses on Old Orchard Road across Mt. Lucas.

John O'Connor of Bernardsville, president of Quality Assisted Living Inc., said in a telephone interview on Monday that it was the intention of this corporation to develop an assisted living facility in Princeton. Mr. O'Connor cautioned that the plans were only in the very preliminary stages, because Township Committee has not yet adopted the ordinance that will permit assisted living facilities in certain areas of the Township.

The ordinance is one of three so-called senior housing ordinances that are in various stages of being introduced and approved as part of the Township code. One ordinance establishes two overlay zones in which residential housing restricted to those age 62 and up will be permitted. One is the former Sword tract behind Elm Court, the other is a portion of the Arcero tract off Cherry Valley Road.

This ordinance, referred to as R-SMO (residential senior market

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Ordinance Proposed Regulating Tree Cutting On Private Property

Disturbed by a couple of instances in which Township homeowners have taken down many trees on their properties, altering the character of the land, the Township Shade Tree Commission has drafted an ordinance that would regulate tree cutting on private property.

The ordinance was discussed briefly by Township Committee in work session Monday night. Township Attorney Edwin W. Schmierer outlined its provisions and described various problems inherent in the ordinance as drafted. No member of the Shade Tree Commission was present to defend or explain the ordinance, which members of the commission drafted after researching similar ordinances in other communities.

Committeeman Steve Frakt characterized what the Shade Tree Commission was proposing as so problematic as to be not worth further discussion. Mayor Michele Tuck-Ponder likened it to trying "to kill a mosquito with a hatchet." Committeewoman Roslyn Denard said, "I have trouble with where these things lead to. You have to be very careful when you tangle with private property."

On the other hand, Committeewoman Phyllis Marchand said she would not want "to throw this whole thing out," and suggested that Committee take a look at a 1992 effort at regulating tree cutting in the

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Borough & Township Will Be Asked To Vote As Commission Recommends Consolidation

Seventeen years after the Borough rejected consolidation by 33 votes, voters in the Borough and Township will again be asked if they want their two municipalities to merge.

Last week's decision by the Joint Consolidation Study Commission to recommend consolidation assured that the question will be on the November 5 ballot. In order to be approved, consolidation must be supported by a majority of voters in the Borough and a majority in the Township.

Eight members supported the Commission report favoring consolidation. Two — David Blair and Albert Angrisani — voted against it. Their minority opinion is included in the final report, which is expected to be available this week at the Public Library, Borough Hall, and Township Hall.

"Now it is up to the voters," said Donald Stokes, Commission co-chair. "We were charged by the voters to make a recommendation, and we have done so." He said the Commission will hold public hearings on the report in the Fall, but has not yet decided whether it will reach out to organizations.

The report, "Thinking as One Town," contrasts the future of one Princeton with that of a divided Princeton, stating that consolidation would give all citizens a say in all the decisions that affect their future, rather than in only part of these decisions.

It concludes that one Princeton would be able to more effectively address a whole range of common community needs; provide common facilities for police, town administration, and public works; achieve economies with the school district; and provide community-wide policing and public works.

The report also states that a united Princeton would be more effective in dealing with its tax-exempt institutions as well as with external development pressures.

Financial pressures on the Borough are singled out as a compelling reason to consolidate. "...If the Borough continues on its own, its tiny, built-out land base (less than a square mile of taxable land) will in time confront its residents with the choice of three unwelcome alternatives — drastically reducing services, drastically increasing taxes, or accepting a scale of development

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NEW MARKETING DIRECTOR: Jessica Sandler, right, congratulates Teri McIntire on being named the new director of marketing for Palmer Square and the Nassau Inn. Ms. Sandler, who is moving to Florida with her family, has held the position since 1989.

New Coalition Formed To Study Transportation

Sensible Transportation Options Partnership (STOP), a coalition of individuals and organizations favoring long-range regional planning for transportation solutions, has announced its organizational structure. The Coordinator for STOP is Jean Mahoney; the Treasurer is Richard Barrett. The STOP Steering Committee includes Alan Goodheart, Peggy Killiner, Patrick Lyons, Martha Redl and Irv Urken. STOP will name an Advisory Council of experts interested in seeking sensible transportation options other than the ones currently being planned for this area by the NJ DOT.

STOP recognizes the need to keep a positive outlook for the possibilities for Good Options, and to that end has set up a Subcommittee called GO. "We believe long range, regional planning will serve all of us better than the current fast-track/design-build, fragmented, and piecemeal approach," said Alan Goodheart, Chair of the GO subcommittee. GO will explore solutions to serve everyone's interests — lasting solutions to today's problems — and make positive, creative contributions to our future environment.

Several local designers, planners, and engineers have expressed their willingness to work with the GO group whose efforts will center on West Windsor, and include the surrounding communities of the Princetons, Plainsboro, and beyond.

In the past two weeks, STOP has collected several hundred signatures on petitions opposing the current NJDOT three-part project for roadwork between Exit 8 of the NJ Turnpike and Princeton through West Windsor along Route 571, including the Millstone Bypass.

The STOP group will continue to focus its efforts on establishing liaisons with citizens and interested groups from surrounding communities in order to work together to seek creative solutions to control the traffic flowing through the region. STOP will also work with local, state and county representatives and administrative officials to obtain information and enlist support for its efforts to establish regional plans.

A voice mail telephone hotline for people wishing to volunteer, comment, or ask questions will receive calls at any time day or night at 924-2938. Contributions may be made to STOP and sent to P.O. Box 177, Princeton 08542.

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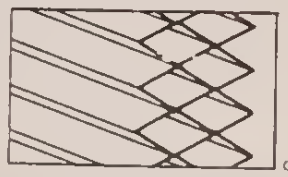

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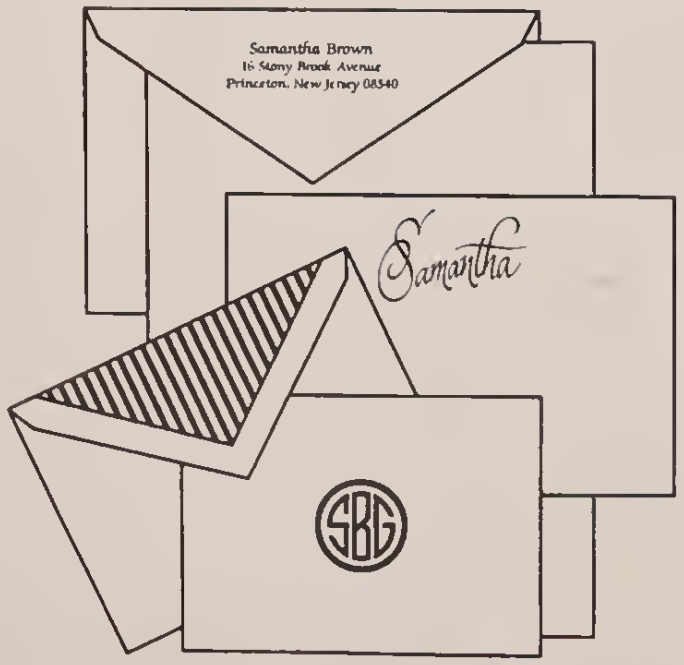

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Proposed Expansion and Renovation Plans Would Double the Living Area of Tusculum

NEW PLANS FOR AN HISTORIC MANSION: The new owners of Tusculum, Thomas and Avril Moore, will preserve the look of the front of the house but have ambitious plans for renovating and expanding the interior of the Revolutionary-era home on Cherry Hill Road.

Plans for an expansion and renovation of Tusculum to suit the needs of the family that purchased the historic house and barn were unveiled at a meeting of the Township's Historic Preservation Commission last Wednesday. Members of the Commission toured the property before the meeting and reviewed the plans in concept back at Township hall.

The new owners are Thomas and Avril Barton Moore, both graduates of Princeton University, Class of 1973, who purchased the 82-acre property in May for $3,050,000 from the estate of the late Mary Pardee Rogers. The Moores currently live in Cincinnati where Mr. Moore has been president of the health care unit of Proctor and Gamble. He has recently accepted a position as president and chief executive officer of Nelson Communications, a health care communications company with offices in Carnegie Center.

Jeffery Clarke is the architect for the project, and historian Constance Greiff of Heritage Studies is the preservation consultant. Both were present at the HPC meeting. Mr. Clarke gave a history of the house, outlining the restorations and additions that have taken place over the years. He told the HPC that it was the applicants' intent to respect and retain the historic character of the front of the house and that which is visible to the public.

The Moores want to add two wings to the back of the house, adding some 4,000 square feet of living space to the existing 5,000 square foot mansion. Clapboard additions that were added in the 1930s on either side of the stone house would be expanded to the side as well as to the rear.

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Expanded East Wing

On the ground floor, the west wing would become an expanded kitchen at the side of the house and a living room with fireplace in the back. A new entry and vestibule is planned for the angle between the kitchen and the living room.

The expanded east wing would become a family room with wet bar. A large glassed-in porch would connect the two wings and would run along the entire width of the main part of the house. The porch is proposed to have a flat roof suitable for use as a deck with a Colonial revival railing.

No changes are proposed to the front facade, other than to replace the existing front door with what was originally there and to replace the roof, which leaks, and to raise portions of it slightly. A shed roof dormer window is proposed in the back roof so that the third floor can be used as a bedroom. Two skylight egresses are also proposed for that bedroom.

A master bedroom suite with dressing room, bath and two separate studies are proposed on the second floor. The Moores have three children, and each will have his or her own bedroom and bath. A couple of guest bedrooms are planned, each with a bath, along with a children's library, a computer room and an upstairs TV room.

Downstairs in the main portion of the house there will be a den, a reading room and an extra sitting room in addition to a large dining room created by removing a wall dividing the space to the left of the central hall. A wine cellar is planned in the basement, with racks for 1300 wine bottles, and an anteroom where regional wine maps will be displayed.

HPC Reaction

In general, HPC members said they thought the additions made the back of the house too "busy" and not in keeping with the simplicity of the front. They praised the architect for retaining the simplicity of the front but criticized the columns supporting the porch in the back and a deck off the master bedroom as well as the dormer windows on the third floor. Robert von Zumbusch said he thought the architect should have considered an L-shaped design for the addition.

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Mr. Clarke responded that there is a circulation problem within the house as it currently exists. In order to walk through the house one must go through several rooms at several different levels, he said. The porch is designed to aid circulation and to allow existing interior rooms on the ground floor to be shut off from the rest of the house as they are renovated. Mr. Moore remarked that an L-shaped addition would vastly increase the impact to the street.

HPC Chairman Maynett Breithanpt said she was not fond of the new entrance off the kitchen or the elliptical windows shown on the plans, but she said she was not bothered by the additions in the rear. She pointed out that there are already two additions to the sides of the house, and said that the proposal seems to go along with them.

Mr. Clarke said he would come back with modifications and that he would bring a model to help the members visualize the changes proposed. He requested another special meeting, but the meeting ended with no date set.

Young Man Killed on Route 206 While Fleeing from Police Officer

An 18-year-old man driving a stolen Jeep was killed Wednesday as he fled from a Borough Police officer. Jonathan D. Dieck died after being thrown from the vehicle, which crashed into a tree on Route 206 near Carter Road in Lawrence Township.

According to a press release issued by the Borough Police Department, Patrol Officer James Martinez, a two-year veteran of the force, was operating a radar gun on Route 206 near Leigh Avenue at 5:15 a.m. At that time, Mr. Dieck sped past him, heading south at 63 m.p.h. in a 35 m.p.h zone.

Officer Martinez pulled out behind him, and both vehicles came to a stop at the traffic light at the intersection of Route 206 and Route 27. The officer turned on his red lights, signaling for Mr. Dieck to stop, but the Jeep immediately raced away down Route 206 at what police described as "a high rate of speed."

Officer Martinez pursued the fleeing Jeep, and at the same time radioed the Borough Police dispatcher, asking that the Lawrence Police, toward whose jurisdiction Mr. Dieck was headed, be notified.

The Jeep began to speed up, and Officer Martinez, following Department policy on high-speed chases, did not increase his speed to match it. He lost sight of the stolen vehicle before crossing the line into Lawrence Township, but continued on to see if Lawrence officers would stop the Jeep.

South of Carter Road, Officer Martinez discovered the Jeep stopped by the side of the road, where it had crashed into a tree. Mr. Dieck had been ejected from the wrecked vehicle, and was lying unconscious in the roadway.

Officer Martinez was soon joined by fellow Borough Officer Kevin Creegan, a trained emergency medical technician, and both began lifesaving efforts. They were unable to revive Mr. Dieck. He was pronounced dead at the scene, and his body was taken by the Mercer County Medical Examiner to the County Morgue.

Lawrence Township Police took over the investigation after the crash. Officers determined that the Jeep had been stolen in Yardley, Pa. the previous night. Inside the stolen vehicle were items that police say were stolen from numerous cars in both Princeton and Hopewell townships.

Five cars were burgled in the Washington Oaks development that evening, and Princeton Township Police have identified property taken from at least four of them among the items in the Jeep.

Similar Case

Earlier this year, the Borough Police Department was cleared in a 10-year-old case involving a pursuit and a fatal crash.

On May 1, 1986, 24-year-old Mark Kollar, of Bethel, Pa., was killed in a motorcycle accident. Borough police were pursuing him at the time, having spotted him weaving across the center line on Mercer and Alexander roads.

Mr. Kollar's motorcycle crashed into a guard rail on Alexander Road near the Rusty Scupper restaurant, killing him. It was later determined that his blood alcohol level was above the legal limit for the operator of a motor vehicle.

The victim's father, Elmer Kollar, has long contended that the Borough Officers who were pursuing his son did so unlawfully. He also alleged that two Township officers investigating the case engaged in a cover-up to protect the Borough officers.

In January of this year, the New Jersey Superior Court Appellate Division upheld two different rulings which had dismissed all charges filed by Elmer Kollar against Princeton Borough, Princeton Township, and four current and former officers of their police departments.

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5 Vehicles Burgled In Washington Oaks Tied to Fatal Chase

Police reported that five vehicles parked in the Washington Oaks development were burgled on the evening of July 30 or the early morning of July 31. Stolen items from four of those vehicles were recovered from the wreckage of a stolen Jeep on Route 206 Wednesday morning.

The driver, 18-year-old Jonathan B. Dieck, was killed in the crash. He had been fleeing from police at the time. Police suspect that he committed the Washington Oaks burglaries as well as one other car burglary in Hopewell.

On Fleming Way, in Washington Oaks, police reported that a $200 car phone was stolen from a 1994 Jeep. The Jeep was left unlocked.

The registration from a 1996 Toyota was stolen as the car sat parked on Benjamin Rush Lane. The owner did not know if the vehicle was locked.

On Wilkinson Way, a briefcase containing four CD-ROMs was stolen. The missing property, combined, was valued at $3,177.

On Brickhouse Road, A $50 cellular phone adapter was snatched from a 1991 Buick. The car was unlocked.

Also on Brickhouse Road, someone entered an unlocked 1992 Chevy and removed maps and an atlas.

All five incidents occurred between the early evening Tuesday, and the early morning on Wednesday.

Also reported in the same area was the unlawful taking of a means of conveyance. Between 8 p.m. on Tuesday and 8:45 a.m. the next morning, a 1986 Cutlass was taken from its parking space on Brickhouse Road.

The car was later discovered nearby, on Benjamin Rush Lane, with the ignition punched out of the steering column. Police did not know if they would be able to connect the theft to Mr. Dieck.

$12,750 in Jewelry

Police reported that between 10 a.m. on July 22 and 6 p.m. July 31, $12,750 worth of jewelry was stolen from a Springdale Road home.

The burglar entered the home by forcing open a door. Police did not have a specific account of the kind or amount of jewelry that was stolen.

After watching him nearly strike a parked car with his 1987 BMW, a Township police officer pulled Miguel A. Rodas-Hidulgo over and arrested him for driving while intoxicated.

The 29-year-old Trenton resident was spotted by the officer at 3 a.m. on Sunday, driving erratically on South Harrison Street.

He was charged with careless driving, driving while intoxicated, and driving on a suspended license.

Six Trucks Inspected; Two Get Towed Away

A State Police truck inspection on Route 206 last Friday netted two truckers operating in violation of the law, and had their vehicles towed away.

In the four hours that troopers spent on Route 206, they stopped and inspected a total of six trucks.

KING OF THE C.B.D.: Simba, a brindled Great Dane of leonine proportions, earned plenty of stares on Witherspoon Street Monday afternoon, and even got the occasional pat on the head from braver passersby. Josh Stampfli, of Princeton, paid homage.

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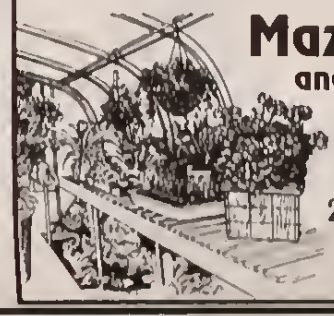

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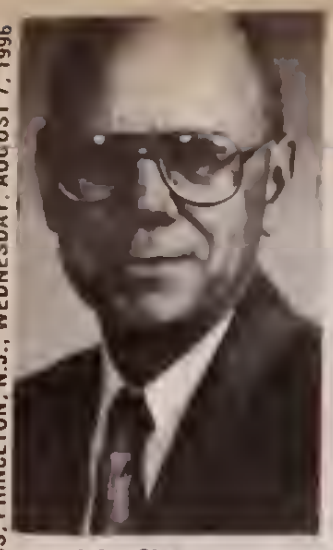

John Clearwater

Former Member Offers to Serve On School Board

Former School Board member John Clearwater has offered his own candidacy as a way of breaking the School Board's current deadlock in choosing a member to replace Lee Silver.

After two 4-4 votes by the School Board, the matter, by law, was sent to Mercer County Superintendent of Schools Thomas Rubino. Dr. Rubino would prefer that Princeton choose its own School Board member, and is waiting to see if the Board can resolve the issue at its August 20 meeting.

Mr. Clearwater, who served on the School Board from 1992 to 1995, said he contacted Board leadership asking if he could be helpful as a compromise choice. He has not received any response but said he understood there would not be any until all School Board members had returned from vacation and had held their August meeting.

"I didn't run before [for re-election] because I felt I couldn't make this effort for three years," Mr. Clearwater said. The person appointed to replace Mr. Silver would serve for less than one year, through April 1997.

Mr. Clearwater said that if Dr. Rubino had to act it would be bad for the School Board and for the community. "We can't have impasse, we have to have action," he said.

During Mr. Clearwater's tenure he served as Board president for one year and as chairman of the Finance Committee. "I am not a candidate," he said Tuesday morning, "but I am more than willing to serve."

At a meeting in late June, the School Board split 4-4 between candidates Regina Simpson and Mary Robinson Cohen, the same vote it had tallied two weeks earlier. Not one member had changed his or her mind in the interim.

Voting for Ms. Cohen were Ruth Boulet, David Robbins, David Meadow, and Gina Kolata. Ms. Simpson's supporters were Todd Tieger, Michael Littman, Steve Carson, and Ricardo Bruce.

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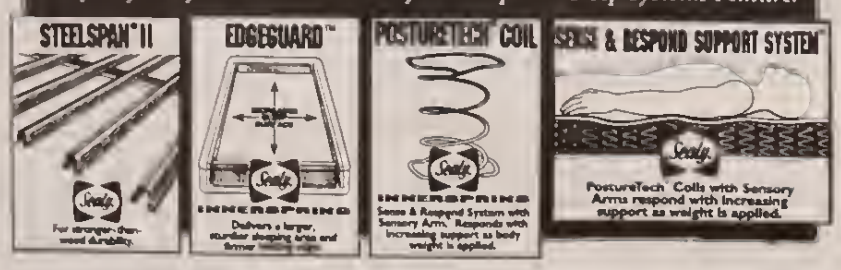

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THEIR OWN OLYMPICS: Marching in the Opening Ceremonies during the Camp Stuart Olympics recently were, from left, Avery Siciliano of Cranbury, Laura Preston of Princeton, Sara Ellis of Skillman, and Erin Byrne and Michael McCarthy of Princeton, members of Stuart Country Day School's pre-school. The students made symbolic torches and doves and competed in various athletic contests, leading up to the awarding of medals.

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Two Juvenile Runaways Returned to Maryland

Acting on a tip from a worried mother in Silver Spring, Md., Borough police located two young runaways on Lytle Street Wednesday morning, and eventually saw them safely on their way home.

According to police reports, the mother of a 13-year-old Maryland girl phoned the Borough Police Department at 10 a.m. Wednesday morning to report that her 13-year-old daughter and a 14-year-old male friend had run away from home. She said she believed that they were at a specific location on Lytle Street.

Sergeant John Reading and Patrol Officer Ken Riley located the two children, and escorted them to the Police Station. They were eventually released to their parents, who came up from Maryland to get them.

Police reported that the children apparently had friends living on Lytle street, whom they had come to see. They had traveled from Maryland by bus.

At 10:48 p.m. on Tuesday, July 30, Sergeant Robert Currier arrested Edward D. Hendershot, of Trenton, on a warrant issued by Princeton Township Municipal Court

After originally pulling Mr. Hendershot over on University Place for driving an unregistered vehicle, Sergeant Currier discovered that he was wanted on the warrant.

The 24-year-old Mr. Hendershot was released after posting bail.

A 24-year-old Clay Street man reported that $241 in cash was stolen from a shoebox he kept in his bedroom. The theft occurred between 11:30 p.m. on July 28 and 9 p.m. July 30.

Police found no signs of forced entry.

Youth with Alcohol

Police arrested three young men on Lytle Street at 9:54 p.m. on July 30, charging them with illegal possession of alcohol.

Bike patrol officer Steve Riccitello and Sergeant Currier spotted the trio standing in front of a Lytle Street house. They were in possession of a liter bottle of apricot brandy, and all three had the odor of alcohol on their breath.

Police charged 18-year-old Russell E. Giordano of Neshanic Station with being a minor in possession of alcohol and released him pending a court appearance. The names of his two companions, a 17-year-old from Hillsborough, and a 16-year-old from Princeton Borough, were not released because of their ages. They were charged with juvenile delinquency and released to their parents.

A Nassau Street liquor store was burglarized between 9 p.m. and 11:05 p.m. on Sunday. According to police, the perpetrators broke a window in the front door of the store and made off with 60 bottles of wine and approximately $300 in cash.

There are no suspects at this time.

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12 Births Are Reported At Medical Center Here

In the week ending August 1, eight girls and four boys were born to area residents at Princeton Medical Center.

Daughters were born to Eric and Magarey Manning of Princeton, July 27; Peter and Lisa Nalen of Hopewell, July 28; Mark and Lynn Terardi of Plainsboro and Jamie and Maria Alvarez of Skillman, both on July 29;

Also, to Thomas and Amy Wentzel of Princeton, July 30; Joseph and Kathleen Strode of Pennington, Andrew Greenberg and Tess Kline of Skillman, and Paul and Carolyn Goldman of Skillman, all on August 1.

Sons were born to Michael and Alice Neer of Belle Mead, July 26; Lee Marc and Emily Epstein of Princeton, July 28; Scott and Janice Atlas of Princeton, July 29; and Sean Friedman and Jacquelin Cohen of Plainsboro, July 39

Kingdoms from Cookies At Girl Scout Event

Several area architects will compete in the upcoming, third annual "Building Connections" event, Saturday, September 7, from 11 to 2 at the Princeton Shopping Center.

This year's theme is "Catch Your Dream" and the event is sponsored by the Delaware-Raritan Girl Scout Council. Each contestant will be provided two cases of Trefoil and Snap Girl Scout Cookies, both having extraordinary building capabilities. Contestants can use any other food items to decorate or attach other building pieces.

"Last year, the architects used everything from licorice to pretzels," explained Dianne Donnelly, executive director for the Delaware-Raritan Girl Scout Council. "It was a lot of fun to see the serious-minded professionals joining in a community event like this. The winners were like little kids when they found that they would be enjoying seven cases of Girl Scout cookies."

The winning firm of the 1995 contest was Michael Graves, whose team of five created an innovative and tasty cookie castle. Other architects included Thomas Associates, Faridy Thorne & Fraytak, Robert Cerutti, and

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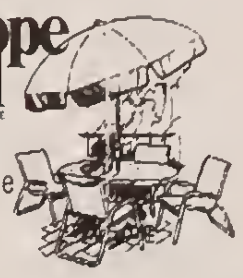

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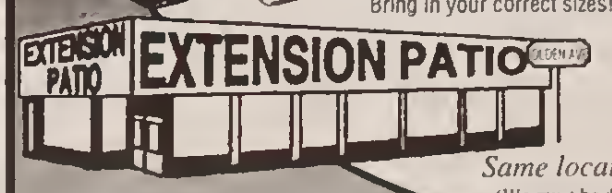

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Maxmillon Hayden.

Architecture firms interested in joining this year's festivities should call Gerri Magretto or Mike Rutkowski at (908) 821-9090. Participation is limited.

In addition, troops will have an opportunity to participate in a bake-off using a selection of cookies from the eight varieties. The event will also feature Girl Scout displays, local organizations, petting zoo, the Princeton Ballet and Tumble Gym. There is no admission to attend this event, which drew more than 2,000 people in the past.

HomeFriends Volunteers Needed for Elderly

Reliable, compassionate female volunteers are needed to provide shopping and friendly visitor support to three homebound seniors living in the Princeton area.

Two elderly ladies in Princeton Borough need help with their grocery shopping. They are sisters living on the same street and it would be helpful if one volunteer would be willing to shop for both of them once a week.

The third woman lives in the Township and could use some weekly friendship and companionship as she is alone during much of the day. She enjoys playing simple card games and wants someone "jolly" to bring a little sunshine into her life.

HomeFriends is one of many programs provided by the Princeton Senior Resource Center. This volunteer support program serves frail homebound elderly and disable in 13 Princeton area communities.

To volunteer, call 924-7108. The program provides a variety of ongoing volunteer support tailored to the needs of both the volunteer and the client, and requires that each volunteer give only one hour of time per week.

Evening Walk Planned In McBurney Woods

Delaware & Raritan Greenway will sponsor an evening walk along the trails at McBurney Woods Preserve within the Northern Stony Brook Greenway in East Amwell and Hopewell townships on Monday, August 19, at 6.

Ted Stiles, a professor of biological sciences at Rutgers University, the director of the Hutcheson Memorial Forest Center at Rutgers University, and vice chair of D&R Greenway, will lead the walk to highlight the interactions between plants and animals and the importance of woodland habitats.

The Northern Stony Brook Greenway contains 261 acres atop the Sourland Mountain including the McBurney Woods Preserve and the Marino Woods. The greenway is a place of quiet beauty and serenity and is part of an unbroken chain of woods that create a vital habitat for flora and fauna. Three trails have been cleared with the help of volunteers. During the late spring and summer, two fields are bursting with wildflowers and fluttering butterflies.

A rare plant, the slender toothwort, can be found as well as the more abundant, common toothwort. A pair of great horned owls have joined pheasant, grouse, white-tailed quail, turkeys, woodpeckers, goldfinches, hawks, American kestrels and least flycatchers in nesting on the preserved lands.

The walk is open to the public. The cost is $2 per person or $4 per family for members and twice those amounts for nonmembers. The group size is limited and reservations are required. To register, call 924-4646.

A small parking lot for the Northern Stony Brook Greenway is located on Mountain Road between Rileyville Road and Stony Brook Road. A trail map and brochure are available on site.

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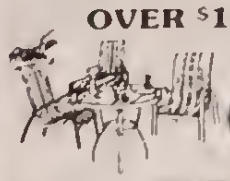

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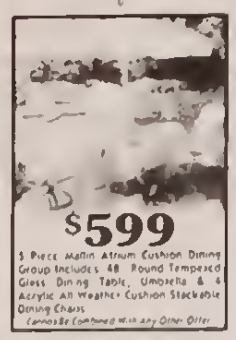

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Waverly Home will also feature decorative accessories such as pillows, table linens, and nursery furnishings. The store will offer a full range of custom services including in-home measuring for window treatments and wallpaper installation.

The store will offer a referral service to interior designers in the area, who have experience working with Waverly fabrics or wallcoverings, or customers can call on the trained sales staff.

A portion of the store can be reserved by appointment for use by interior designers. The store is also equipped with a computer complete with Waverly's CD-ROM Design Studio software, which is available for designers use.

The Princeton Waverly Home store will be one of three new Waverly concept stores that will open in 1996 in New York and New Jersey. The Princeton store is scheduled to open in October, pending permit approvals.

FLOWER CHILD: Carrie Davison, a participant in the Princeton Recreation Department's Summer Day Camp, surveys her work on what would eventually be a tie-dyed T-shirt.

Last Blast Camp Set by Area YMCAs

A last blast the week before school gets under way is offered by the Princeton and West Windsor Family YMCA summer camp programs for youngsters 5 to 15.

Last Blast Week Camp is held August 26 through 30 and is the only camp in operation in the area during that period. Hours are 9 to 4 with extended care available from 7 to 6.

During the week, campers will take daily trips to the New Jersey shore, Camden Aquarium, Franklin Institute, Veterans Park, and a final grand picnic. Sports Camp, Discoveries Camp and Adventure Camp will be combined for the trips.

Parents are urged to register early for Last Blast Week as the camp has limited spaces and last year there was a waiting list. Openings are still available for the regular weekly sessions at Sports, Discoveries and Adventure camps.

To register call the Princeton YMCA at 497-9622 or the West Windsor YM at 497-2154.

American Red Cross Lists Blood Donor Sites

The American Red Cross has listed the blood donor sites for the week of August 12.

On Monday, August 12, the West Windsor Lions Club is sponsoring a blood drive

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On Saturday, August 17, St. Charles Borromeo Church, Skillman Road, Skillman, will sponsor a blood drive from 8:30 to 1:30. No appointments are needed.

Most healthy people who weigh at least 110 pounds and17 years of age or older are eligible to give blood. Donors are asked to bring some form of identificatton, and 17 year olds must bring a signed Red Cross parental consent form with them to the blood drive.

The Red Cross says that Group O negative donors are still urgently needed. This is the blood type most often used tn emergency sttuations.

For more information call the American Red Cross at 1-800-26 BLOOD.

Learning Styles Explored At Newgrange Conference

The Newgrange Community Outreach Center will present a summer institute on "Accommodating Learning Variations in the Classroom," Au-

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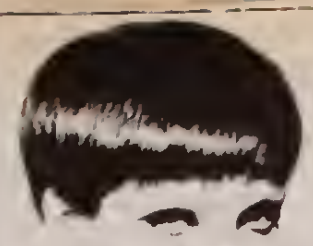

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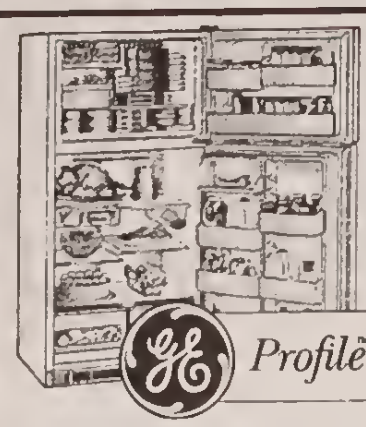

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Griggstown's Norseville Community Celebrates Seventy Years of History

DESCENDENTS OF THE FOUNDERS: Children of the three original founders of Norseville, who still live in the community are, standing from left, George (Mac) Olsen, Arne Arnesen, Jens Arnesen; sitting, Hjordis Mortensen and Evelyn Peters.

The name Norseville can't be found on any maps of the Griggstown area, but tucked away between the Delaware-Raritan Canal and the woods of the Franklin Township Natural Preserve, lies this small, quiet community, home to some 60 families. At a time and place in which transition, mobility, and constant change are the norm, the people of Norseville nurture and celebrate their roots and traditions.

On a recent Sunday afternoon, 135 present and former neighbors of Norseville gathered in Good Time Charley's of Kingston to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the founding of their community. Some came from as far away as Alaska, California, and Florida. Their ages spanned more than six decades. Among those in attendance were several of the children of the original founders, headed by 86-year-old Hjordis Mortensen — the oldest resident of Norseville — plus members of the third and fourth-generations. Others were more recent arrivals from different ethnic backgrounds.

Glenn Arnesen, the current president of Norseville, officiated as the master of ceremonies for the reunion. Esther Olsen, Secretary and unofficial historian of Norseville, led a walk down memory lane with a showing of slides of old photographs from days when children swam in the Canal, and the milkman drove up to the house. Accordion player Douglas Baird lent a cheerful musical background to the gathering. Other entertainment was provided by Norseville's own local talent: Norwegian folk songs by the father-daughter duo of Richie Knudsen and Janet Slover; a violin pop concerto by Debbie Arnesen; and a delightful medley of old Broadway favorites sung by Joni Jordan with Karen DeKok at the piano. The Norseville Fine Musicians closed the festivities with a humorous skit.

An American Dream

Norseville came into existence as the realization of the American Dream for a group of Norwegian immigrant workers from Brooklyn who were seeking a place to escape the sweltering heat of the city in summer. On behalf of their church congregations, the founders of Norseville — Adolph Johansen, Pareli Olsen, and Thomas Arnesen — led the search for a suitable property priced within their modest means. Finally, they happened upon the abandoned 50-acre Acken Farm in Griggstown. Norseville was incorporated as a non-profit homeowners association on November 14, 1925, to purchase the land. The actual distribution of one-acre lots among the original families did not take place until the following spring, and the official dedication was held on Memorial Day, 1926, with more than 200 people in attendance.

The settlers established a colony of bungalows and tents, which they used on weekends and holidays. In the '40s, after returning from World War II, some of the members of the second generation, newly married and starting their families, decided to live year-round in Norseville, and gradually converted the rustic settlement into a residential housing community. Most of the construction was done by the homeowners themselves, who were experienced tradesmen.

The association owns some common property, a pavilion and a ballfield, where neighbors get together with other Griggstown area residents for softball games, a flea market, and a Norwegian Lapskaus dinner, helping keep the community spirit and traditions alive.

Norseville has seen many of changes in the last 70 years. But through it all, the people of Norseville have tried hard to preserve the old-fashioned values that give a community that special feeling of "Home" — caring for your neighbor, sharing the good and bad times, helping each other.

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Changing demographics and tightening school budgets mean classrooms are growing larger and more diverse. The purpose of the Institute is to explore diverse learning styles within the regular classroom and devise practical strategies to address these differences. Topics will include multiple intelligences, classroom management, and using technology as aids to learning.

"The traditional way of teaching is heavily language-oriented, and that's not going to go away in schools," says Dr. Robert Ginsburg, principal of Littlebrook School, and one of the Institute's presenters. "...But to be most effective, we must use all learning modalities. We should not make students conform to our styles of teaching, but we should adjust to their styles of learning. There's no reason to expect that everyone's brain is wired in the same way. We need to find out what works best for each child and adult."

Teams of teachers, principals, and special education professionals will work together; discussions will be fostered in interactive groups for elementary, middle and high school levels. Dr. Kathleen Butler of The Learner's Dimension will speak on multiple intelligences and variations in learning styles and Dr. Margaret Jo Shepherd of Teachers College, Columbia University, will address teaching and assessing reading in the diverse classroom.

Participants will be invited to return for fall and spring reunion workshops to review progress and refine their strategies.

The institute is being planned and presented in collaboration with East Windsor, Hopewell, Montgomery Township and Moorestown public schools, the Peddie, Pennington, Princeton Friends and Rutgers Preparatory independent schools, and the Catholic Diocese of Trenton.

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Weller Tract Neighbors Get a Turn To View Fields and Ask Questions

THIS GROVE OF TREES would become a picnic and passive recreation area under the plans proposed for the Weller tract. Dipping down to a stream off to the right, they might also be used for a nature outing by the Recreation Department's Summer Day Camp.

It was the neighbors' turn last Wednesday to hop aboard the hay wagon at the Murray-Hall Farm, the proper name of what is popularly referred to as the Weller tract, and get a tour of how the Recreation Department proposes to use the land if it is purchased by the Township.

Some 20 neighbors from Snowden Lane, Herrontown Circle and Bertrand Drive took advantage of the opportunity, and additional tours will be available for other neighbors in the coming week. Township Committee is scheduled to hold a public hearing Monday, August 19, on a bond ordinance appropriating $2 million for the purchase of the 38-acre property and its development as a passive and active recreation park. Neighbors have asked that the vote be postponed until September, rather than hold it in the middle of prime vacation season, and Committee is likely to do just that, although the hearing will go on as scheduled.

Jack Roberts, Recreation director, was the tour guide, and John Powell, farm manager and executor of the estate of Jac Weller, drove the tractor hitched to the wagon. The Township engineer, Robert Kiser, was in the group, along with Lee Solow, professional planner for the Planning Board, and Hunt Stockwell of the Friends of Princeton Open Space.

From start to finish, the neighbors peppered Mr. Roberts with their concerns about traffic, noise, safety and costs of the project and their objections to this property being turned into soccer fields. Many of the statements and questions that follow are without attribution, since the speakers did not identify themselves as they would at a public hearing in the Township meeting room.

Seeing the pond, they immediately raised questions about the Township's liability in case a child should fall in. "This is dangerous; I wouldn't want my kids to come down here," one woman said. Mr. Roberts mentioned the pond at Community Park North and agreed that this pond would have to be posted with signs regarding ice skating and have a life preserver handy as that pond does.

Ellen Souter expressed skepticism that the Recreation Department would be able to maintain the park with its existing employees. Mr. Roberts said that one additional full-time employee would be needed and estimated the cost as between $20,000 and $30,000.

"Is there a need for passive recreation?" he was asked, as the wagon passed the grove of trees. "Not as much as for active recreation, Mr. Robert responded.

Several spoke of the proximity of Herrontown Woods and Autumn Hill Reservation and how they are underutilized. Mr. Roberts said there was a difference between a wilderness-type park, like Herrontown Woods and Autumn Hill Reservation, and what is proposed as a picnic area under the trees at the Weller tract. Mr. Powell said it was his understanding that 51 percent of the Green Acres grant the Township expects to defray the cost had to be used for passive open space.

Someone told Mr. Roberts that if he was counting on Mercer County to assist with the purchase or maintenance of the Weller tract that was a "fallacious" assumption, given the County's lack of money to take care of Herrontown Woods properly. Mr. Roberts agreed that Herrontown Woods is not in good condition.

Howard Crusey, Bertrand Drive, remarked that unless the Recreation Department was prepared to put guards at the gate, turning the farm, which is currently enclosed in a barbed wire fence, into a park would be opening the area to crime. Others chimed in that they had recently been robbed.

"Your theoretical ideas are fine," one man told Mr. Roberts, "but they just won't work here."

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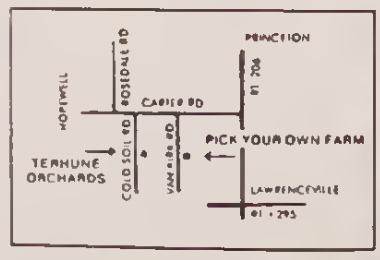

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There were many questions and comments about drainage. "What responsibility would the Township have if our cellars become flooded [as a result of soccer fields being developed]?" one woman wanted to know. Another man said the burden would fall on the homeowner to hire lawyers and prove that it was the Township's responsibility. Mr. Kiser said that the Township has strict soil erosion control measures, including requiring temporary sediment basins and silt fencing. "This is something that would have to be done."

He also said that if it could be shown that the Township was at fault, it would take responsibility, but he cautioned that there are many factors that would go into determining whether the flooding was attributable to the soccer fields. He mentioned the unusually intensive rainfall that New Jersey has experienced this summer as an example.

Mr. Kiser told the neighbors the "least onerous" solution would be to keep the land as it is, and the next best would be to develop it into playing fields. He noted that impervious surface associated with the roofs and driveways of a single family development would create more run-off than grassed playing fields. Mr. Roberts said the Recreation Department would be adding under-drainage as necessary as it created the soccer fields, prompting Mrs. Souter to ask whether that cost had been factored into the overall cost of development.

Mr. Roberts said it had been. He told her the $961,000 estimated cost did not include any improvements to Snowden Lane. He acknowledged that Snowden Lane was narrow and presented dangers for bicyclists and pedestrians and said some thought was being given to adding a walkway, but not to widening the road.

He asked the residents why they were opposed to an access into the park from Terhune Road east, pointing out that would be the logical way for neighbors to have access to the park. "That's the problem with this property," a neighbor responded.

It was mentioned that a little neighborhood park in the interior of Caldwell Drive homes might have space for a couple of soccer fields, but use of the park ran into criticism as imposing on the privacy of the abutting homeowners. "How does that differ from here?" someone asked.

"The impulse for this park seems to be need for soccer fields," Mr. Crusey remarked, adding that soccer fields bring "a lot of people and a lot of cars at the same time."

Other Sites Suggested

Reading off a list of what she thought were possible other sites for soccer fields, former School Board member Patty Soffronoff asked, "Why must the Township's muscle be exerted on this group of homeowners rather than on the Institute Woods or the Winant Farm?"

Mr. Roberts explained that to many people involved in the soccer program there is an advantage and a value, especially for the younger players in the recreational or house league, to several fields grouped together as opposed to being dispersed in different areas. "People feel that coming together is something special," Mr. Roberts said, adding that to disperse soccer fields around town creates a logistical problem, not only for families, but for the Princeton Soccer Association in its management of the program and equipment.

He also commented that the Princeton Soccer Association "is not driving this purchase, "we have needed it a long time." Asked specifically about the Institute for Advanced Study lands and their availability for soccer fields, Mr. Roberts said that space for two fields were included in the general development plan approved by the Planning Board and Township Committee as part of a litigation settlement agreement but that a major campaign is underway to purchase the development rights which would preclude that development plan.

He said that the major donors to this campaign to raise $16.3 million are opposed to the possibility of having soccer fields there because of the historic nature of the property

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THE POND AT THE HALL-MURRAY FARM: This pond provides a perfect backdrop to the wooded area that would become a passive recreation area under the tentative plans for the Weller tract. The aerator in the middle is an attempt to keep down algae growth.

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PERFECT FOR CORN, GOOD FOR SOCCER: This view of the Weller property toward Snowden Lane shows the flat area that lends itself to being seeded in grass as open playing fields. The fields slope down slightly to the left towards Van Dyke-Wight. Off to the right is Herrontown Circle.

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and the special character of the woods themselves. "This [the Weller tract] sets up as a better piece of property for soccer fields," Mr. Roberts added.

Finding Substitute Fields

Mrs. Souter asked whether, if the neighbors found four soccer fields, Mr. Roberts would abandon the plans for the Weller tract. "We want a neighborhood," she said.

Someone spoke of the burden on neighboring roads of 300 cars. Mr. Roberts said 300 cars was an exaggeration, but another woman contradicted him, saying she was a soccer parent and had purchased the shirts one year and she knew how many people, and therefore cars, were involved. "The opponents also have cars," someone else interjected.

"I am in favor of soccer, but this is the wrong place," another person remarked. "Last year it was the nursing home, this year it is soccer fields," was another remark, and "I don't understand why big money for the Institute is getting their way," was still another.

Mr. Powell pointed out that there will be deed restrictions as to the amount of asphalt and lighting, but someone shot back, "You don't have control over the road, John, and you know it." "We will be assaulted by all this noise," said another. "It seems fait accompli," said another.

"When can we go out in our backyards and have the peace and quiet we deserve?" one woman asked.

Ernest Soffronoff said the key question was, "How do you define and control traffic and over use?"

Mr. Roberts tried to explain that the games played by the traveling teams would be played on other fields as well as these fields. "We're trying to be sensitive to the neighbors. We can spread it around town," he said. "How do you put that in writing? one man asked. "We're tired of being the dumping ground," said another man.

Toward the end, Mr. Roberts, his patience in responding to a barrage of largely negative comment wearing thin, remarked, "There's something to be said for the community good." He went on to say, "There are a couple of properties I am very concerned about, and I've told the planners to take an inordinate amount of care. But if we can't get the support of the neighborhood, I'm wondering what the hell I'm doing."

Nonetheless, when he excused himself because he had to be at another meeting, the group, surprisingly, applauded him.

—Barbara L. Johnson

Township's Offer for the Weller Tract Considered Best Estate Has Received

According to John Powell, farm manager and executor of the Weller estate, the Township's offer to purchase the property for recreational purposes is the best offer the estate has received thus far — including a fairly recent offer from a developer received in early July.

Apart from the Township's offer, the estate has received five written offers, four from developers and one from a private citizen. Neither Mr. Powell nor David Morrow, the attorney who is helping the estate with the real estate transactions involved in settling the estate, volunteered to reveal any dollar amounts being discussed. But they explained that the Township's offer is viewed favorably in part because it would be a cash transaction.

Sales to a developer are structured sales, usually contingent on the developer obtaining approval from the Planning Board for whatever development is being proposed. The estate as seller has to analyze the costs associated with carrying the land during the interim.

The Weller tract is currently assessed as farmland. If there is a change in use to single family homes there would be rollback taxes to pay. Based on the market value of the property, which would be established by the price the purchaser had agreed to pay, these would consist of taxes for the current year, plus the two prior years at this market value. In the case of the Weller tract, which currently pays approximately $8,000 in property taxes, this could amount to six figures, which, in the case of a raw land transaction as this is, the seller usually has to pay.

If the Township becomes the owner, and the use is changed to recreation, presumably the Township can waive its own portion of the property tax. Mr. Powell seemed to think that one could make an argument to the County that a nearby park would enhance the County's own Herrontown Park and ask it to waive its portion of the property tax as well. Neither knew what happens to the school portion of the tax in this instance, although perhaps the Township would have the authority to waive it as well.

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Township Trees

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Township which would have restricted the ban to trees that are in or near the public right of way. Committee agreed to table the measure for further discussion on another night.

The ordinance as drafted by the Shade Tree Commission would require any property owner, tenant, corporation, firm, association or partnership to obtain a permit before destroying and removing any tree that has a trunk larger than four inches in diameter measured one foot above ground. The permit would cost $10, and the individual or group wanting to remove a tree or trees would have to submit the location of the trees and the reasons for removal to the Township arborist.

If a permit is issued, the property owner or tenant must agree to replace the removed tree with species selected from the Shade Tree's list of approved street trees, or contribute an amount equal to 2.5 times the wholesale price of a species and size selected by the arborist to the Township's Shade Tree fund. Any person violating the ordinance would be subject to a fine and be required to replace the trees with nursery stock equal to the caliper of the tree or trees that have been removed.

Exemptions from the Ordinance

Trees growing on a property which is not adjacent to the Township right-of-way (i.e. off and away from Township roads) where less than 75 percent of the trees on the property have been removed would be exempt from the regulations and presumably could be cut down without a permit. A tree growing on a property with fewer than four mature trees would also be exempt.

So would trees growing on property actively operated as a nursery, garden center or Christmas tree farm, and trees on properties actively operated as a farm which are removed for agricultural purposes and not sold for profit. Removal of trees which are dead, dying or diseased, or trees which have suffered severe damage or that present a hazard to structures or human life are also exempt.

Mr. Schmierer pointed out that the ordinance entails a lot of administrative responsibility and while he acknowledged that Colin Vorgang, the Township arborist, was excellent as an arborist, he questioned whether he would want to be writing out permits. He said the ordinance presents enforcement issues — how to know whether a single tree has been removed here or there, as he put it.

"Are we tangling with private property rights," he asked, rhetorically, adding that courts are increasingly inclined to side with property owners seeking compensation for "taking" of their property. Trees could be considered property and not being able to do with them as one wished might be viewed as a "taking," he suggested.

"It's hard to discuss this with a straight face," Mr. Frakt began, after Mr. Schmierer had finished briefing Committee on the ordinance. He pointed out that there are no standards to help the arborist judge when a tree should be taken down. "I can't see the need or the point [of this ordinance]. I can understand it for big, big trees, but I think we are starting down a slippery slope. One can think of a million things that we could be regulating. I think we are making trouble for ourselves."

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"It strikes me as being a bit extreme," said Mayor Tuck-Ponder, adding that she would be "cautious about invading private property" and was concerned about how the ordinance would be enforced and administered.

Mrs. Marchand said she too was not in favor of invasion of private property and the stringent aspects of this ordinance. But she said she could see a purpose in regulating trees within a few feet of the public right-of-way in order to protect the streetscape, and she spoke of many benefits of trees to the environment.

Intent of the Ordinance

The ordinance includes an introductory paragraph which says, "It is the intent of this ordinance to preserve and stabilize the maximum amount of remaining tree cover in the township, to control indiscriminate and excessive cutting of trees on developed lots within the township, to protect larger and older specimen trees during the development of a site, and to provide a plan for replacement of removed trees.

"Shade and ornamental trees must be protected in our rapidly growing township because they provide shade, beauty and grace, act as barriers to surface water flow, noise, and soil erosion, and supply oxygen and purify our air. It is the purpose of this ordinance to recognize that trees are a valuable and essential community resource and, as such, must be managed effectively in order to promote the general welfare of the people of Princeton Township."

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MAILBOX

Bypass Probably Being Planned As Part of Interstate Truck Route

To the Editor of **Town Topics:**

The following is a copy of a letter sent to Morgen Penick, vice chairman of the Regional Planning Board of Princeton.

Your comments concerning the proposed Millstone Bypass made at the Planning Board meeting on Thursday were extremely cogent and I want to express my appreciation. The forthright answer that Mr. Mycoff gave to my question concerning conformity to Federal Guidelines for the National Network for Trucking suggest that the Bypass is being planned as part of an Interstate truck route that would encompass Harrison Street in due course, not just by gradual adhesion but through federally mandated requirements.

Interstate trucks use Route 206 only because NJDOT allows this. There are no Federal requirements that NJDOT do so, and I believe that NJDOT is uneasy about this issue — Route 206 does not meet the Federal standards. With the Millstone Bypass built to meet these standards, connecting with other roads that join the Turnpike and meet the standards, too, Princeton could find itself on the National Network as prescribed by Federal law.

Because Mr. Mycoff did not answer my questions about the cost/benefit analysis and the sources of data for the modeling, I think that the municipal authorities should make a written request for these. The cost/benefit analysis is needed to assure the public at large that Federal money is not being wasted. Building a road to carry the load that Washington Street carries now, or even extrapolated to more passenger vehicles, would cost less than building a road to meet the requirements for interstate trucking. The argument that if a road is to be built it might as well be built for all contingencies is specious and spendthrift.

We need an account of the modeling procedures and sources of data, because residents are likely to notice details that outsiders have missed. Also, it would be irresponsible for a state Department of Transportation to plan work affecting a road such as Route 1 without formal consultation with the state motor truckers association. We need written confirmation that this has been done, and we must see its results. The need is compounded in New Jersey by the dominant role that the CEO of the New Jersey Motor Truckers Association has assumed in the control of regional traffic movements as attested in his public statements reported by the press.

The NJDOT presentation on Thursday signifies work orders and contracts justified by a written plan that spells out overall objectives and includes a time line scheduling several levels of internal and external review. Mr. Mycoff's answer to my question suggests that this plan provides for heavier use by interstate trucks than the NJDOT representatives implied. We need to see it.

MICHAEL P. BARNETT
Lovers Lane

Players Not Chosen as "All Stars" Do Not Get to Play Much Baseball

To the Editor of **Town Topics:**

I write this after reading the letter that was published on July 31 written by Gyan Bhanot, regarding his opinions on the 12-year-old "All-Star team" in Princeton baseball. I have worked as an assistant coach in a variety of age group sports in Princeton. It is normal and healthy for any parent to want his or her child to meet with success and I am sensitive to his opinions regarding the coaching of players of this age.

From my perspective the quality of the coaching and teaching in the three younger levels of baseball is very good. Most of the parents who are involved in teaching Little League Baseball have the well being and improvement of the players as their primary focus in coaching.

We owe it to the young people of this town to give them more of an opportunity to play over a longer period of time. The concept of sandlot baseball that many of us grew up with has been replaced by insurance concerns, field space demands and the need for organization. These are the realities. Some possible alternatives could include:

1. The extension of the pre-season period and the inclusion of a number of practice games officiated by the coaches. This would serve to help the fundamental improvement of all involved, especially the pitchers. This would also provide more daylight as the spring evolves.

2. The adaptation of one or two of the Grover fields to include lights. This would enable teams to play complete games.

3. The concept of a summer league for those who choose to participate after the conclusion of the spring league.

This conversation could continue indefinitely and I am certain that many others have strong opinions about age group baseball. The most important point I have is that Little League baseball is for the kids, it is a summer game, and more children should have the chance to play the game over a longer period of time.

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Best to Follow Current Farmer's Lead And Retain Naturalness of Weller Land

To the Editor of **Town Topics:**

The kids of our town need fields to play on, off the streets, away from the tube. This much is clear. The question is whether the Weller Farm is a good place to preserve for this purpose. We believe it is.

When Jack Roberts of the Recreation Department heard that some people have had doubts about the lay of the land and its suitability for soccer, he invited the three of us, as representatives of the soccer community, to spend a morning looking at the property. In our case, seeing was believing.

John Powell, who has been farming the Weller land for years, met us at the front gate, hitched a wagon to his tractor, and took us on a guided tour. His knowledge and love of this particular place impressed us. The farm reflects his character as well as the natural beauty of the site.

It was hard to believe we were so close to the center of town. Everywhere we looked we could see evidence of Mr. Powell's care and signs of natural life. If the naturalness of the place has not been lost, that is because the man farming the land has respected it, instead of working against the grain. We would do well to follow his lead.

To convert such a distinctive spot into yet another housing development would be a shame. A more sensible plan, involving a park of the right kind, would show more respect to the setting while also meeting the community's pressing need for playing fields. Because little terracing appears necessary to prepare the land for recreational purposes, a park should be able to preserve the feeling of the natural landscape.

Roughly half of the property seems ideally suited for gently graded, grass fields. Mr. Powell says that most of the soil drains rapidly, into the farm's pond. That the rest is appropriate only for passive recreation should make the park all the more satisfying for all concerned.

It would be a mistake to impose too much formal structure on the space, because that would sacrifice its flexibility and charm. Mr. Roberts is sensitive to this concern, he has done his homework, and he knows how to listen. We gave him our assurance that the soccer community, though desperate for space of some kind to play in, has no interest in the construction of an over-designed, over-used, intrusive, recreational facility.

Lighted fields, asphalt parking lots, amplified sound, and permanently placed goals would be out of place at Weller. A park that is conceived and administered sensibly, on the other hand, would soon prove itself a great benefit to the surrounding neighborhood.

For our part, as potential users of the park, we will make every effort to schedule and conduct our activities in a way that shows consideration for its neighbors. This means, among other things, spacing out events so that large numbers of cars are not descending on the park at the same time.

JOHN NICHOLS, Prospect Avenue
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Members of the executive committee,
Princeton Soccer Association

Millstone Bypass Not the Solution To Noisy and Polluting Truck Traffic

To the Editor of **Town Topics:**

The local papers have been filled recently with descriptions of truck traffic on Washington Road in Penns Neck, and Sunday's Trenton Times told of similar woes on Route 518 in Hopewell. Clearly, there must be a solution, lest we surrender our homes, our health, and our sanity to 18-wheelers. The proposed Millstone Bypass is not that solution. Nothing is gained by moving the traffic, with all its noise and pollution, from one community to another, from Penns Neck to Princeton.

As the final leg of a three-stage freeway leading from the NJ Turnpike to Harrison Street and Washington Road in Princeton, the Millstone Bypass will purportedly ease congestion. On the contrary, it is simply setting the stage for gridlock. A 64-foot road will deliver traffic at 35 mph onto two roads just over 30 feet wide with a 25 mph limit and traffic lights, not to mention heavy pedestrian use on one of them. As we saw in last week's deluge, when big pipes feed into small pipes, the result is flooding, and that is the effect the Millstone Bypass will have on Princeton. Just as the water found its way into people's basements, so too the traffic backing up on Washington Road and Harrison Street will seep through to adjoining roads, taking over entire neighborhoods.

DOT talks as if the question were how to facilitate the movement of trucks through the region, and its answer is to build more and bigger roads. The real question is how to prevent trucks from using local roads to cut through the region on their way from Route 95 to Route 287. New Jersey has already provided a multi-line, high-speed link between New York and Philadelphia, namely the NJ Turnpike. Why are trucks taking alternate routes? What is that traffic doing in West Windsor, Princeton, or Hopewell? What can be done to discourage it from entering the area? Surely, the answer is not to build bigger and better roads for it. That only encourages the behavior that is destroying our communities and that is the problem DOT should be addressing. Until it has done so, it should call a halt to the Millstone Bypass.

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An Idyllically Quiet Washington Road — A Post-Bypass Vision of the Future?

To the Editor of **Town Topics:**

With regard to the Millstone Bypass, it is clear that all residents who live on Washington Road favor its construction. Washington Road will be transformed from the noisy and often congested roadway that it is now to a relatively idyllic lane, perhaps similar to Varsity Avenue. One might even envision families bicycling and children playing on Washington Road one day. Frustrated motorists will no longer be lined up in an exasperatingly long queue (sometimes reaching nearly to the railroad bridge) waiting their turn at the light on Route 1.

This hardly constitutes "destroying neighborhoods" as opponents to the project claim. Fisher Place's now peaceful setting should even benefit from the bypass as traffic will be diverted further away from Fisher than it is now.

As a resident of Washington Road my view of the issue is admittedly biased. Not being the purely selfish type I would like to hear the results of an unbiased impact study regarding this proposed roadway not only as a stand-alone project but in conjunction with the proposed Hightstown bypass.

The big fear seems to be that these two "improvements" will provide a missing link for interstate travel because Route 95 disappears somewhere in the middle of New Jersey. Consultation of a map will show that any sane trucker would not choose the newly constructed roadways as a quicker route between North and South. More likely they would choose the 195 to 295/95 connection or simply utilize the turnpike to its southern end, picking up 95 at that point. Other than that, intra-state travel is a point of concern.

Would the construction of these two roadways significantly increase the flow of local traffic between Hightsown and Princeton? I would guess that the flow might only increase in speed rather than volume by virtue of easier access: instead of waiting at lights, traffic would proceed unhindered. Anyone who has tried to pass through Hightstown from east to west or vice-versa during midday would certainly appreciate the need for the Hightstown bypass.

Concerning the western part of Washington Road, apparently the treasured and lovely elm trees will remain intact except for those that will need to be removed where the bypass will meet Washington Road near the canal.

The new roadway's proximity to residences on Harrison Road might cause concern though I understand that the road will not exactly run right past such residences. Of course, any road at all in that area might be deemed an encroachment to home owners so perhaps the bypass could be revised to end at Route 1? This would leave the western end of Washington Road untouched and placate Harrison Roaders. It would also, however, make Route 571 slightly less accessible to Princeton and it might conflict with the University's plans for the land abutting Washington Road.

If we start with the premise that the D.O.T. is committed to removing the traffic light on Route 1 at Washington Road, then I believe the Millstone Bypass to be the best solution. Creating an overpass at Washington Road would require relocating a church and a cemetery, an option I presume nobody favors. Utilizing Fisher Place directly would certainly constitute destroying a neighborhood. The simplest and cheapest solution might be to remove the light and re-route Routes 571 and 526 along Alexander Road.

However, the capacity of the Alexander Road railroad bridge might be suspect and the negative impact on residents along Alexander Road should be considered. I have heard a lot of reasons for halting the Millstone Bypass from the group that calls itself S.T.O.P. but they have not provided their solution to removing the light. Perhaps they mean to simply maintain the status quo. The status quo will leave motorists STOPped at this light while the Millstone Bypass will insure that motorists will get where they're going on the DOT.

JOHN H. SLATE
228 Washington Road

What's Best for the Economy May Not Be Best for Nature

To the Editor of **Town Topics:**

We all know that the principle of unlimited growth and consumption are central to the health of our economy, especially when they take place on limited land with limited resources and limited intelligence.

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Intellectual Honesty Marked Discussions Of the Consolidation Commissioners

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

In this small piece of time between the release of the Consolidation Commission's final report recommending merger of the two Princetons and public discussion of the merits, I would like to thank the Commissioners for their work.

While I did not attend all of the twice-a-week Commission meetings, I was there for many of them.

The quality that marked the discussions of the Consolidation Commission throughout the six months of their deliberations was intellectual honesty.

Where there were facts to be gathered, the 10 Commissioners searched for those facts and for the best information to be had. And to the end, they were open to revisiting facts and their interpretations of them, to make sure that their analyses were on solid ground.

Where an issue was one of opinion, they did not attempt to transform their opinions into facts, but labeled opinions and conjectures as such.

Where the issue depended on looking into the future, they resisted requests from observers (often derisively made) to "give a number," and talked, appropriately so, of developing "estimates" and "best guesses."

For many of them, serving as Commissioner was their first experience with elected public office, and their introduction to one of the more depressing aspects of such service — elected public officials have to take whatever the public dishes out. The small but vocal and bad-mannered group opposing merger, who attended Commission meetings and Commission presentations made to Borough Council, took full advantage of this. They dished out a constant stream of attacks on the personal integrity of individual Commissioners and on the honesty of their deliberations.

The Commissioners took with grace the atmosphere of public scorn that small group was so intent on creating. My congratulations to them for their forebearance.

I salute them for their tirelessness, for the consistency with which they maintained their intellectual integrity, and, whether one agrees or not with their conclusions, for their service to our community.

I look forward to the next stage of this Princeton happening — discussions among the citizens on the merits of merger. I hope these discussions stay focused on the issues. And I hope we all remember that we have long been friends and neighbors and that, no matter what the outcome of the November vote, we will remain friends and neighbors.

CORINNE KYLE
Spruce Street

Consolidation Like Unskilled Mechanics Transforming Two Family Cars into One

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

Mr. Martindell's letter [TOWN TOPICS, July 24] comparing consolidation to marriage had the seeds of an interesting analogy, but his execution of the concept was puzzling. Virtually every detailed comparison he put forth seemed to favor not consolidating, in obvious ways and to obvious degrees, yet his apparent intent throughout was to make it sound as if he was illustrating reasons why consolidation would be a good idea. And his penultimate paragraph makes it plain that he strongly favors consolidation, in spite of the disadvantages he extensively enumerates in the rest of the letter.

If it is necessary to resort to analogies to try to demonstrate the benefits of consolidation, it may be instructive to consider another and perhaps more apposite analogy. Picture the community members as a moderately large, somewhat unruly and opinionated family. For years this family has been getting by with two cars, both still in reasonable shape and parked when idle side by side in the same garage.

For mysterious and somewhat unfathomable reasons, a significant faction within the family has decided that the two cars should be combined into a single larger car with eight wheels and four rows of seats, and if this faction prevails they are going to turn the two working cars over to a committee of mechanics who have never done this before but who are confident that they can do it for very little cost and that the family will be much happier with one big car than they are now with two medium-sized cars.

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Louise Collins Show (live broadcast every Mon. at store/1350AM) guests for 8/12: author Joyce Carol Oates and Don Skemer, Firestone Library curator (6:00-7:00 p.m.)
Fiction group meets to discuss *Ladder of Years* by Anne Tyler. (Open to all). Wed., August 14, 7:30-9:00 p.m.
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'96-97 Play Season Is Announced By McCarter Theatre

McCarter Theatre's artistic director Emily Mann has announced the five plays that will comprise the theater's 1996-97 season.

The season will open with a major revival of George S. Kaufman and Edna Ferber's *The Royal Family* directed by Susan H. Schulman. Ms. Schulman is perhaps best known for *The Secret Garden* on Broadway. This saga of a talented but eccentric theatrical family said to have been modelled on the Barrymores was first produced on Broadway in 1927. It received an American bicentennial production at McCarter in 1975, directed by Ellis Rabb, which subsequently moved to the Kennedy Center, Brookiyn Academy of Music and Broadway.

The Royal Family will run from September 24 through October 13. Opening night is Friday, September 27.

The American premiere of Marina Carr's *The Mai* will follow from November 5 through 24. Winner of the 1994 Dublin Theatre Festival's Best New Irish Play Award, *The Mai* follows the fortune of a beautiful, gifted and troubled woman whose philandering husband has returned after an absence of some years. Ms. Mann will direct.

The world premiere of *The Old Settler* by New Jersey writer John Henry Redwood is next in the lineup. First developed at the 1995 National Playwrights Conference at the Eugene O'Neill Theater Center, it will be produced in association with Long Wharf Wharf Theater in New Haven, Conn. where it will be performed following the McCarter run from February 4 through 23. Walter Dallas, artistic director of Philadelphia's Freedom Theatre, will direct.

In 1940s Harlem, a spinster was called "an old settler." In this play, Elizabeth Borny has resigned herself to this fate. When she takes in a young man as a border, a delicate May/December romance develops, forcing Elizabeth and her sister Quiily to face each other and past indiscretions for the first time.

The Old Settler wiii be directed by Walter Dallas, artistic director off Freedom Theatre in Philadelphia. Mr. Dallas has won critical acclaim and numerous awards for his work off-Broadway and for his productions at the Negro Ensemble company, Yale Rep, Ailiance Theatre and Center Stage in Baltimore.

The fourth production of the season wiil be Henrik Ibsen's *The Master Builder*, directed by Emiiy Mann. The play revolves around a leading architect, Halvard Soiness, who is awakened by a young woman, Hilde Wangel, who challenges his view of life. She also acts as a catalyst for the guilt he feeis towards his wife and for his concern that he is losing both his idealism and artistic integrity. The production wiii run from March 18 through Aprii 5. Opening night will be Friday, March 21.

Stephen Wadsworth wili return to translate, adapt and direct Marivaux's *The Game of Love and Chance*. A neglected classic from the 17th century theater, this is a comedy about a young noblewoman who is promised in marriage to a man she has never met. She enlists her servant in a scheme to test his character, never guessing just how far the masquerade will go.

Mr. Wadsworth made his debut in the spoken theater at McCarter in 1992 directing his adaptation of Marivaux's *The Triumph of Love*. The production marked the beginning of an American renaissance for the 17th-century French playwright, whose comedies had been popular in Europe but neglected in U.S. theaters.

The Game of Love and Chance will run from May 6 through May 25. Opening night will be Friday, May 9.

Season subscriptions are now available. Prices start at $67 for a full five-play subscription and vary depending upon performance day and time.

To purchase subscriptions, cali 683-8900.

Jazz Happening Due At Mercer County Park

Dom DiFranco and The Jazz Happening will present a free concert at 7 p.m. Saturday, August 17, at 7 at Mercer County Park in West Windsor.

The performance will be held near the ice skating rink. In the event of rain, the concert will be held inside the rink.

The audience is invited to bring chairs, blankets and picnics and enjoy the music.

For more information, call the Cultural and Heritage Commission at 989-6899. For information on the day of the concert cali Mercer County Park at 586-8090.

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Taiwanese Chorus In Concert at Westminster

Hua Shin Children's Chorus from Taipei, Taiwan, will perform Saturday, August 17 at 7:30 in Bristol Chapel on the campus of Westminster Choir College.

Conducted by Julian Su, the chorus will perform works by Weelkes, Mendelssohn, Bach, Poulenc, Frank, Casals and Britten. In addition, they will sing American folk songs and a selection of Taiwanese choral music.

The Hua Shin Children's Chorus was founded in 1988 by Hua Shin Construction Company and the Taipei County Cultural Center. It has performed in Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, Hong Kong, China, the United States, Canada, New Zealand, and Australia.

Mr. Su received his master of music degree in choral conducting from Westminster and is currently a teacher at Fu Jen University. In addition to the children's chorus, he conducts the Taipei Joy Women's Choir, Taipei Men's Glee and the Fu Jen University Chorus.

He is the founder of the Taipei Philharmonic Madrigal Singers, now the Formosa Singers, with whom he made two recordings, *The Silver Swan · A Modrigol Tour* and *Chont My Homelond*. He has also recorded *The Chorm of Men's Voices* with the Taipei Men's Glee and *When You Are Smiling* and *The Joyful Singing* with Hua Shin Children's Chorus.

A free-will offering will be taken. For more information, call the Westminster concerts office at 921-2663.

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Trainspotting (R): Wed & Thurs 7, 9, Fri-Sun 6, 8, 10, with early shows Sat & Sun. at 1 15, 4, Mon.-Thurs 7 9
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Matilda (PG): 12, 2 30, 4 50, 7 10, 9 40
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Independence Day (PG13): 1 3 45, 6 30, 9 15
Courage Under Fire (R): 2 5, 7 15 9 30
Phenomenon (PG): 2, 4 30, 7, 9 30
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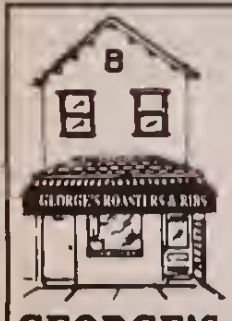
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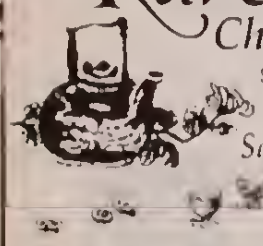
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12:30 p.m. Pinochle. SPC
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7:00 p.m. Bingo. Elm Court

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10:00 a.m. Nice and Easy Program. YW/YMCA (fee)
12 noon Bridge - SPC
1:30 p.m. CHIME. Princeton Medical Center. Call 924-7108

Wednesday: 10:30 a.m. Let's Talk. Redding Circle
10:45 a.m. Line Dancing. SPC
1:00 p.m. Movie - "There's No Business Like Show Business". Suzanne Patterson Center

CALENDAR

Wednesday, August 7

8 p.m.: Scott Slapin, viola. Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College of Rider University.

Thursday, August 8

9 a.m.: Sewer Operating Committee; Borough Hall.

8 p.m.: Musical, *Lend Me a Tenor*, Princeton Summer Theater; Murray Theater, Princeton University campus. Also on Friday at 8, Saturday at 2 and 8, and Sunday at 2.

8 p.m.: Les Trouvé Res Retrouvés, music of the Middle Ages and Renaissance for recorder, viola, and harpsichord; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College of Rider University.

8:30 p.m.: Musical, *Annie*, Yardley Community Players; Open Air Theatre, Washington Crossing. Also on Friday and Saturday at 8:30.

Friday, August 9

8 p.m. *The Woman in Black*, Off-Broadstreet Theatre; 5 South Greenwood Avenue, Hopewell. Doors open at 7 for dessert. Also on Saturday at 8 and Sunday at 2:30 with dessert at 1:30.

Saturday, August 10

9 a.m. to noon: Donations accepted for Hospital Rummage Sale, Princeton House storage facility; Herrontown Road, off Route 206. also on Tuesday.

Tuesday, August 13

9 to noon: Donations for Princeton Medical Center's Rummage Sale accepted at Princeton House storage facility; Herrontown Road.

8 p.m.: Borough Council; Borough Hall.

Wednesday, August 14

8 p.m.: Princeton Country Dancers; Suzanne Patterson Center.

Thursday, August 15

8 p.m.: Musical, *Lend Me a Tenor*, Princeton Summer Theater; Murray Theater, Princeton University campus. Also on Friday at 8, Saturday at 2 and 8, and Sunday at 2.

Friday, August 16

8 p.m.: *The Woman in Black*, Off-Broadstreet Theatre; 5 South Greenwood Avenue, Hopewell. Doors open at 7 for dessert. Also on Saturday at 8 and Sunday at 2:30 with dessert at 1:30.

Saturday, August 17

9 a.m. to noon: Donations accepted for Hospital Rummage Sale, Princeton House storage facility; Herrontown Road, off Route 206. Also on Tuesday.

7 p.m.: Dom DiFranco and The Jazz Happening; Mercer County Park, near ice skating rink. Inside rink if it rains.

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Engagements and Weddings

Engagements

Tallmadge-Rashkind. Skye W. Tallmadge, daughter of Tad and Vicktoria Tallmadge of Princeton and Anne and David Forgione of Bloomfield Hills, Mich., to Jacob G. Rashkind, son of Lee and Michael Rashkind of Virginia Beach, Va.

Ms. Tallmadge, a 1991 graduate of Princeton High School, received a bachelor's degree in psychology and a secondary level social studies teaching certificate from Dickinson College in 1995. She is an assistant director of admissions at The Pennington School.

Mr. Rashkind graduated from Cape Henry Collegiate School in Virginia Beach in 1991. He received a bachelor's degree in English in 1995 from Dickinson College and taught English and language arts courses to eleventh grade students at Cape Henry Collegiate School. This fall he will teach upper school writing and journalism courses at The Pennington School.

The couple plan a June 1997 wedding.

Dickey-Lawton. Natasha J. Dickey, daughter of Gordon H. Dickey of Princeton and the late Joanna Dickey, to Kenneth M. Lawton, son of Jeffrey Lawton of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Lynda Sharkey of Roanoke, Va.

Ms. Dickey graduated from Stuart Country Day School and received a bachelor of science degree in chemistry from Ithaca College. She is a senior research technician with FMC Corporation.

Mr. Lawton graduated from Hightstown High School. He is a computer graphics artist.

A September wedding is planned.

Schachtner-Rome. Dr. Susan Schachtner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd J. Schachtner of Ft. Dodge, Iowa, to Dr. Jonathan J. Rome, son of Martin Rome, Linwood Circle, and the late Nita Rome.

Dr. Schachtner is a graduate of the University of Iowa School of Medicine and is a senior research fellow in pediatric cardiology at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

Dr. Rome is a graduate of Princeton High School, Oberkn College, where he was Phi Beta Kappa, and Stanford University School of Medicine. He too is a pediatric cardiologist at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, where he is director of the Cardiac Catheterization Program and assistant professor of medicine at the University of Pennsylvania.

A fall wedding is planned.

Plimpton-Murphy. Sarah Ann W. Plimpton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad A. Plimpton of Princeton, to James P. Murphy III, son of Dr. and Mrs. Murphy II of Yardley, Pa.

Ms. Plimpton, a graduate of the Emma Willard School and Bryn Mawr College, is pursuing a master's degree in social sciences and archaeology at the University of Chicago.

Mr. Murphy, a graduate of Lawrence High School, attended St. John's University in New Mexico and is a coordinator for Boston Coach in Chicago.

The couple plan an August wedding.

Weddings

Kinnan-Farley. Kelly Ann Farley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Patrick Farley of Derby, Kansas, to Matthew K. Kinnan, son of Catherine Kinnan of Princeton and the late Morris E. Kinnan; June 22 at St. Agnes Catholic Church, Roeland Park, Kansas.

The bride graduated from Derby High School in 1985 and received a B.S. and an M.S. in education from Kansas State University. She will be a library media specialist next year for the Kansas City, Kansas School District.

The groom graduated from Princeton High School in 1983 and received a B.S. from Kutztown University, Kutztown, Pa. He is the chief engineer for Take 2 Productions in Kansas City, Mo.

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The Report of the Consolidation Study Commission

(This is the first of four parts)

INTRODUCTION

The Consolidation Study Commission was elected in November 1995 with a mandate to investigate the question of whether the two Princetons should consolidate or remain separate and, if they remained separate, whether they should consolidate additional services. A recommendation for consolidation would be put to the public in the November 1996 general election. The commissioners elected from Princeton Borough are Albert Angrisani, Karen Hegener, Claire Jacobus, Margen Penick (co-chair), and Howard Sereda. Those elected from Princeton Township are David Blair, Patricia Cherry, Kay McGrath, Andrea Schutz, and Donald Stokes (co-chair).

The Commission members are a citizen group drawn from the community. Each of us has long been interested in Princeton's affairs, but only one of us has been an elected official (David Blair served on the Township Committee). None of us had strong prior views on consolidation, although we all accepted the need for a fresh study of the question. Each of us reached a conclusion only after we were deeply involved in the subject and felt appropriately informed on the issues.

State law required us to report our preliminary conclusions and recommendations within six months of our election. At that time, eight commissioners voted in favor of consolidation; one commissioner from the Borough and one from the Township voted against. This final report, due August 7, confirms the Commission majority recommendation for consolidation. The issue now returns to the voters, since consolidation can be approved only with majority support in both the Borough and Township at the November election.

The Commission determined at the outset that a major part of our task would be to identify and analyze all the issues that would impact life in the Borough and Township and should be taken into consideration in our final recommendation. Therefore, during the past eight months, we have:

- looked into the history of Princeton to understand the origin of two separate municipal entities;
- made an inventory of the whole community's needs for facilities in relation to remaining appropriate spaces available for such facilities;
- studied the Princetons' current municipal services, of which 17 are jointly shared by the two municipalities;
- explored the possibility of consolidating three additional municipal services — the police, public works, and general administration;
- organized widespread community discussion of the quality of life in Princeton through a series of focus groups led by members of the community to gain a clear sense of what is valued by those who live in Princeton;
- analyzed the appeal and special needs of Princeton's central business district;
- assessed the extent of available open space in Princeton and its importance for the quality of life here;
- identified options for providing certain common municipal facilities and estimated their probable cost;
- analyzed the impact consolidation would have on taxes in the Borough and the Township;
- analyzed the effect of merging the debt of the Borough and Township and the possibility of reconciling the tax rates and tax levies of our two municipalities;
- studied the forms of government legally available to a united Princeton;
- assessed the consequences of consolidation for Princeton's State-mandated obligations to provide affordable housing;
- developed a plan by which a united Princeton could provide and pay for the collection of garbage;
- estimated the costs of the transition to a united Princeton;
- framed policies that would minimize the human costs of consolidation for the employees who serve the Borough and Township;
- gauged the ability of a united Princeton to cope with the pressures of the explosive growth in central New Jersey and with the nonprofit institutions that are such an important part of Princeton's life;
- examined the question of sewer fees in a consolidated Princeton;
- studied the impact of municipal consolidation on Princeton's Regional School Board;
- explored how the governing body of a new municipality could reconstitute the existing volunteer advisory boards of the joint services;
- sought and received appropriate legal and professional information and advice in areas where we believed special expertise was necessary;

Each of these issues was studied by one or more members of the Commission and presented for discussion at scheduled public meetings. The results of several of our inquiries were issued as study briefs so that members of the public could share our developing understanding of factors that would have a bearing on our recommendation to the community.

We have met regularly since November 1995 in an open process under the State's Sunshine Law and have kept the public informed at every stage. We have had lively input from citizens attending our sessions. The Study Briefs covered the history of the two Princetons, possible forms of municipal government, the question of garbage collection, the results of the focus groups, and the importance of open spaces and recreational areas to the Princeton community. An additional study brief on the needs of the central business district is forthcoming.

Our study briefs have been carried by The Princeton Packet and TOWN TOPICS and posted on the Princeton home page of the

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Consolidation Report

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World Wide Web (http:\\www.princetonol.com). We have released to the public the reports submitted to us by the management consulting firm of Jersey Professional Management and the architectural firm of Kehrt Shatken Sharon. We have issued a number of news releases, and our work has been extensively covered by the press. Our preliminary report was carried in full by The Princeton Packet, TOWN TOPICS, and The (Trenton) Times. We met three times with the employees of the Borough and of the Township, and concerns raised by Borough officials have been the subject of public hearings by the Commission and Borough Council.

A prime benefit in studying this full range of issues and in receiving public input on them was the opportunity to see the future and its possibilities and problems from the perspective of the community as a whole. While remaining sensitive to the interests of those who didn't vote for us as well as those who did, we have had a rare opportunity to think about the current and future needs of the community of Princeton.

Over nine months this opportunity convinced us that answers for the future can no longer be limited by the arrangements that have served us well in the past. Change in the two Princetons is not only inevitable but is already all around us. It is better to face this fact and take the opportunity to shape our future and preserve what we treasure rather than to simply let things happen. One of our fellow citizens who attended our meetings said that "the preservation of what we like requires change." This expresses well a view to which the majority of the Commission came. In this report we explain why we drew the conclusion we did and why the majority of us feel that the two Princetons should become one.

In recommending consolidation, we fulfill the task that the voters of the Borough and Township gave us. Our report, including the minority views of the two dissenting Commissioners, and our many appendices present a wide range of information that will help the citizens of the Borough and Township make up their own minds. Our report is neither an academic nor a scientific study, but rather the document of fact-finding, analysis, and conclusion we were elected to produce. Princeton's citizens charged us with making a recommendation and explaining the reasoning that led to it. To the best of our ability, this is what we have done.

PRIMARY RECOMMENDATIONS

The Commission recommends that the voters of the Borough and Township should be asked to approve full consolidation of the two municipalities into a single Town, to be called the town of "Princeton."

The Commission recommends, after full consideration of alternatives available to New Jersey municipalities, that a united Princeton should have the "borough" form of government, with a directly elected mayor and six members of council elected at large to overlapping terms in partisan elections.

The Commission further recommends that, within seven years of the creation of one Princeton, a charter commission should undertake a full review of the form of government to affirm its effectiveness or recommend modifications.

THE CASE FOR CONSOLIDATION

New Jersey law, by making it virtually impossible for growing communities to annex surrounding land, froze the boundaries between the Borough and Township as the Princeton community grew to its present size. To most of its citizens, however, "Princeton" is a single place, and most of its citizens think of themselves as living in this town, even if they also feel some special attachment to the Borough or Township.

Residents of the Borough and Township feel that the community has one obvious and enormously appealing center. They also feel that it has a clear perimeter, one defined by strong natural features that should be supported and enhanced to prevent them from melting into suburban sprawl. The whole community treasures the Central Business District, just as the whole town treasures the generous surrounding open spaces that spare Princeton from becoming another built-over suburb.

Princeton's two municipalities have recognized how far their is one town by developing an extensive set of consolidated services -- seventeen of them. They do their land use planning through a Regional Planning Board that encompasses the whole town. The public schools are consolidated. And the sense that Princeton is one town has kept the question of consolidation on the public agenda since the Township pulled abreast of the Borough in population and taxable property earlier in this century. In 1979, consolidation carried by a large majority in the Township, and came within 33 votes of majority support in the Borough as well.

If the realities of one Princeton were not quite enough to produce a majority in both municipalities then, why should we propose it now? Our nine months of almost total immersion in the subject have led us to see a strong contrast between the future that lies before a united Princeton and the future that lies before a divided Princeton. These studies have also led to us to see an increasing urgency in this choice of futures.

The contrast is summarized and will appear next week in TOWN TOPICS. The following week sections on existing conditions that help pave the way for consolidation and on the enabling steps by which consolidation can be achieved will be printed. Finally, the fourth instalment will be the Minority Report.

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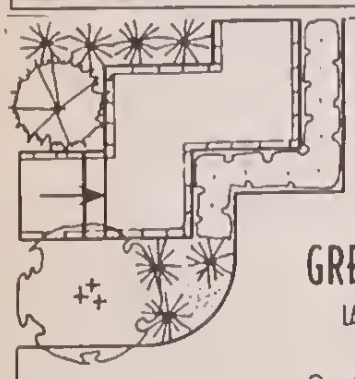

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His subjects vary from vast landscapes inspired by his Pacific Northwest heritage to New England and area seascapes and shore scenes. Mr. Hart's most popular venue is New York City.

The **Coryell Gallery,** Lambertville, is presenting its Sixteenth Annual Summer Exhibition of Gallery Artists through September 22. The public is invited to a reception Sunday, August 11, from 3 to 6 for gallery artists and to introduce the oil paintings of guest artist Tom Graves of Princeton.

Mr. Graves has a poetic reverence for nature, as seen in his paintings of streams and woodlands. He has studied with Mel Leipzeig, James McGinley, Ron Lent and Michael Madigan and his works have been exhibited in the area at the Somerset Art Association, Princeton Art Association, Artists League of Central New Jersey, Carrier Clinic, Phillips Mill, Trenton City Museum and Bristol-Myers Squibb Gallery.

Exhibiting painters include Joanne Augustine, Corky Agin, Albert Bross, Ranulph Bye, Gabrielle Baumgartner, Dorothy Bissell, Alexander and Barbara Farnham, Vincent Ceglia, Marge Chavooshian, Harriet Ermentrout, Richard Lennox, Ron Lent, Pamela Miller, Katherine Renninger, Charles Ross, Elizabeth Ruggles, Louis Russomanne, Robert Sakson, Joanne Scott, Nancy Silvia, Valeria von Betzen and Pat Shamy.

Sculptors on exhibit are George Douris, Josie Campbell Delenbaugh, Jeanne Pasley, Marvin Levitt and Richard Gerster. Pottery is by Ann Tsubota, Katherine Hackl, Harriet Coleridge and Marya McGale. Artists no longer living are Louis Gatch, Anne Steele Marsh, Sigmund Kozlow, Anita Groendahl and Emily Abott Nordfeldt.

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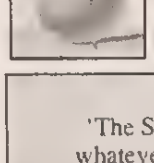

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Two Former Ivy League Stars, Elias & Fiedler, Having Different Experiences in Pro Football

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Princeton's Keith Elias and Dartmouth's Jay Fiedler each graduated in June, 1994 after outstanding collegiate careers in the sport, and a month later signed free agent contracts with professional teams. Elias, a Jersey boy, was lucky enough to hook up with the New York Giants, while Fiedler signed on with the Philadelphia Eagles.

Two years after, at the start of the exhibition games leading up to the 1996 season, Elias has the opportunity to solidify his once "iffy" status in the professional ranks, while Fiedler is hoping to catch on with a new team. The reason has more to do with the positions they play and the vagaries of pro football than any disparity in talent and commitment.

Elias, who was named the Ivy Player of the Year in his senior year, set a parcel of Ivy and Princeton records as a running back with the Tigers, but at 5'9 , 190 pounds he was undersized for pro football. However, what he lacked in size and weight, Elias compensated for in hustle and determination.

His gung-ho attitude, which carried him through four years at Old Nassau, impressed the Giant veterans and coach Dan Reeves from the start. When Elias survived the final pre-season roster cuts, Reeves commented, " He showed us a big heart, great vision, tremendous quickness and toughness. All those qualities are what you look for in a player."

Elias also showed the Giants he could produce on the field. In five exhibition games, he gained 86 yards on 27 carries and scored two touchdowns. No other player scored more than one. He also made himself a worthwhile addition to the special teams, making several tackles.

Injury Hampers Progress

When the season began, however, an injury slowed Elias' progress. Just as he was begining to get some playing time as a reserve running back, he severely sprained an ankle in a game against the Arizona Cardinals in late September. When it finally healed in November, other personnel considerations and roster moves

Keith Elias

kept Elias on the sidelines for the rest of the season.

The following August, Elias found himself in the thick of another battle to make the Giants, competing against players such as Rodney Hampton, Herschel Walker, Tyrone Wheatley and Gary Downs. Again, he made the most of every chance he got, running, piling up yardage, catching passes, and shining on special teams. In a 32-31 win over the Jets, he blocked a punt, and one of his teammates recovered the ball in the end zone for a touchdown, and later ran in a two-point conversion to provide the margin of victory.

Elias stayed injury-free during the '95 campaign, and saw limited duty throughout the 16-game schedule. He rushed 10 times for 44 yards and caught nine passes for 69, and continued to play ball on the special teams. Overall it was a dreary season for the struggling Giants, but a worthwhile one for Elias.

New York played its first pre-season exhibition last Friday night against Jacksonville, winning 24-17. Elias ran 13 times for 27 yards, and scored twice, including the winning touchdown with just 27 seconds left. But Elias no longer has to worry about making the team. His mission this August is to

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Football Stars

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lock into a job that will give him considerable playing time every game, the offensive back who comes in on third down to make something happen.

The job was Dave Meggett's for several years, before he left to join the New England Patriots, and now it is being offered to Elias.

"I'm coming into camp this year with the idea that I am going to work hard to fill the role of the third-down back," Elias said in an interview with the New York Times last month. "The last two camps, I just wanted to make the team. Now I want to create a little niche for myself on offense, come in on third downs, and help the team win,"

Meggett, whose outstanding play won many a ball game for the Giants, leaves big shoes to be filled, but Elias will not fail by lack of effort.

Fiedler Watches and Waits

Meanwhile, down the road in Philadelphia, Fiedler also proved that Ivy League players, despite all the jokes about the league's football prowess, could make it in the pros. That first summer he was in a battle with Georgia's Preston Jones, who had been on the team the previous year, for the third quarterback spot, behind Randall Cunningham and Bubby Brister.

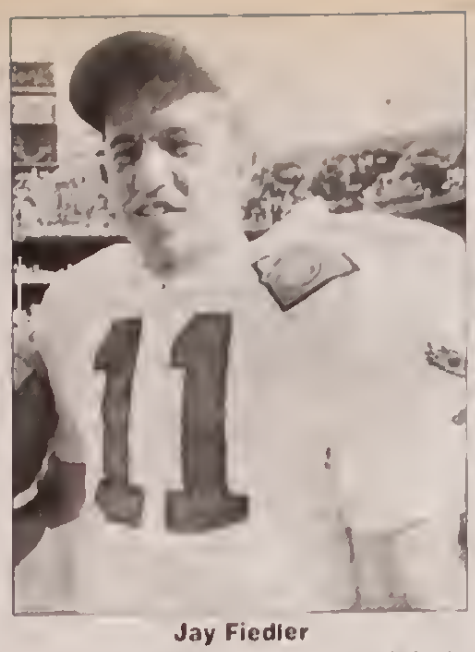
Fiedler got several opportunities to prove himself during the pre-season, and did so, completing around 50 percent of his passes. When the final cuts came just before the opening game, Jones was let go, and Fiedler remained.

Unfortunately, all that earned the 1992 Ivy Player of the Year was the right to stand on the sidelines and hold a clipboard for 16 regular season games. The Eagles, under coach Rick Kotite, who would be fired at the end of the season, suffered through a disastrous fall.

Cunningham was plagued by injuries and inconsistency, Brister wasn't a whole lot better, but Fiedler never took a snap from center. Even with the Eagles hopelessly out of contention in the fourth quarter of some games, Fiedler never got a chance, and unlike Elias, he was not able to showcase what he could do on special teams. Quarterbacks are not cut out for that kind of duty.

The summer of 1995 came along and Fiedler was back, working for new coach Ray Rhodes. This time he had to beat out the University of California's Dave Barr, a fourth-round draft pick. Helped by his leading an 86-yard-drive in the fourth quarter that produced the winning touchdown (Princeton fans still wince at the way Fiedler shredded the Tigers' pass defense to produce wins), Fiedler sent Barr packing, and once again made the final roster.

His reward: standing on the sidelines with a clipboard for all 16 regular and two



Jay Fiedler

play-off contests. Rodney Peete led the Eagles into post-season play, with Cunningham as his back-up. But once again, no matter how one-sided a game became, Fiedler was never inserted into the line-up.

Fast forward to this July, and Fiedler is in training camp again. In addition to Peete, the Eagles have signed quarterback Ty Detmer, a free agent from the Green Bay Packers, and also drafted (in the third round) Bobby Hoying, who quarterbacked Ohio State a year ago.

Running an intra-squad scrimmage at Lehigh Stadium 10 days ago, the Eagles ran 57 offensive plays. Peete is six for nine for 62 yards, Detmer is eight for 10 for 99 yards, Hoying is nine for 17 for 71 yards and Fiedler zero for zero for zero yards. This is only a scrimmage, and he does not play a down. The handwriting is on the wall.

"We scripted the plays we wanted to run and unfortunately Jay didn't get any," Rhodes commented after the game.

A week ago Tuesday, Fiedler, who didn't need an Ivy education to get the message, went to Rhodes and asked to be released. "He felt this was best for him to get another job in the league," Rhodes commented. "I tried to talk him into staying. He's a kid who always has done everything we asked of him."

Feeling he should be asked to do more than hold a clipboard, Fiedler is hoping to catch on with another team.

"I can feel for him," Peete commented. I just hope the word is out on Jay. People talk in this league and he has a good reputation. He'll get a job somewhere."

And indeed, Peete's remarks proved to be prophetic. Last Friday Fiedler signed on with the Cincinnati Bengals, coached by another former Dartmouth football star, Dave Shula.

—Jeb Stuart

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Sports

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Youth Hoops Title Games Set for Wednesday Night

The Princeton Recreation Department Summer Boys' Basketball League will wind down Wednesday evening, as UMass and Syracuse meet for the Junior Division title at 5:15 p.m. and the Raptors and Sonics face off for the Senior Division championship at 6 p.m.

UMass brings an unblemished 6-0 record to the title game, and Syracuse weighs in at 2-4. The 7-3 Raptors are more evenly matched with the 5-5 Sonics.

In the final week of regular season play, the Raptors got going with a 26-21 win over the Knights. Alonzo Green scored 10 points for the winners, and teammate David Phanthavong had eight. Adam Varga scored 12 for the Knights, and Paul Johnson contributed nine.

The Sonics stopped SMB Jr. 32-24 behind 12 points from Linwood Marshall. Ryan Schuler had eight, including two three-pointers. For SMB Jr., Michael Bess had eight and Tirone Cruz and Bob Cordier had six apiece.

Last Friday, the Sonics beat the Red Raiders 39-29. Marshall had a game-high 17 points, and teammate Jeff Wu had 11. High scorer for the Red Raiders was Daryl Brown, with 16 points.

That same evening, the Raptors stopped the Grizzlies 53-18. Phanthavong's 19 paced the Raptors, while Green scored 15 and Bobby Davison had 10. For the Grizzlies, Skyler Dugger netted 10.

In the only Junior Division contest this week, UMass beat Syracuse 37-16. Dana Swainson and Josh Thompson scored 20 each for undefeated UMass. Kasaun Brown paced Syracuse with 13.

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Recreation League Basketball Final Standings

	W	L
Caffé Pizza	10	0
DATAN	9	1
SMB	7	3
Tiger's Tale	6	4
Bunzl Distribution	5	5
Cassavell Homes	4	6
Summit Financial	4	6
Sam P. Electric	3	7
Brookstreet Securities	1	9
Dr. Von Der Schmidt	1	9

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Princeton All-Stars' Year Closes in Chambersburg

The 1996 season came to an end for the Princeton Youth Baseball Association's 12-year-old All Star team last week, with a loss to East Windsor in the Chambersburg Invitational Tournament.

On Saturday, Princeton beat 6-11 by the score 11-5. Jonathan Butts pitched the first 4.1 innings for Princeton, striking out nine while giving up five runs on four hits and five walks.

Pat Quirk came on in relief, and struck out five of the seven batters he faced, allowing one hit and no runs. Alex Goodman led the hit parade, going 2-for-3 and knocking in three runs. Quirk also had two hits, and scored three times. At the plate, Butts had three runs on one hit.

East Windsor beat Princeton 4-3 on Sunday, knocking Princeton out of the Tournament. Princeton gave up four unearned runs in the first inning, and held East Windsor scoreless through the remainder of the game.

Princeton's Andy Ciofalo pitched the first four innings, allowing five hits and striking out seven. Chris Flanders pitched the final two innings, striking out two. Goodman and Nathaniel Halpern had two hits each.

The game ended with Princeton runners stranded on first and third.

Family YMCA Set to Offer Adult Sports Leagues

The Princeton Family YMCA Adult Sports Leagues will open the fall season on September 5 with volleyball and basketball offered on Thursday nights from 7 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Team openings are on a first-come, first-served basis.

Volleyball offers four levels of play: BB-League (most competitive), B-League, A-League, and Recreation League. The leagues will play at several locations, including the YMCA on Paul Robeson Place, Princeton Day School, and the Hun School.

Basketball offers two levels of play: BB-League and B-League. Teams will compete at the Hun School.

Teams must register before August 26 to avoid a late fee. YMCA membership is included in the team fee. For additional information, or to register, call the Princeton Family YMCA at 497-9622.

Undefeated Caffé Pizza Top Seed in Rec Basketball League Playoffs

Resuming play after the tragic death of player Frank Cassavell two weeks ago, the Princeton Recreation Department Men's Basketball League rolled into playoff time with Caffé Pizza boasting a 10-0 record in regular season play.

In the first round of playoff games Monday evening, eighth-seed Sam P. Electric advanced with a win over ninth-seed Brookstreet Securities, 58-48.

Jon Brown's 19 paced the winners, as Damon Lumpkin scored 12 and Mike Dron had 10. For Brookstreet, Avram Holmes had 16 and Alvin Reed had 15.

In the second contest, seventh-seed Summit Financial stopped tenth-seed Dr. Von Der Schmidt 52-34. Ken Durfee had 20 for Summit, and teammate Mike Pemberton scored 14. For Summit, Rick Decanzio had 14 and Curtis Goines had 11.

In Wednesday's matchups, fourth-seed Tiger's Tale will meet fifth-seed Bunzl at 7 p.m. Top-seed Caffé Pizza will take on Sam P. at 8 p.m., and second-seed DATAN will see Summit Financial in the nightcap.

Regular Season

The final two days of regular-season play were highlighted by Dr. Von Der Schmidt's only win of the year — a 45-44 shocker over Bunzl Wednesday night.

Leading 30-19 at the half, Dr. V withstood a furious Bunzl rally to stay on top. Decanzio, Wanza Carter, and John Mills had 13, 12, and 11 respectively. For Bunzl, Gary DeFrancisco scored 13.

DATAN Stopped Tiger's Tale, 40-35, behind 11 each from James Ford and Kirk Webber. Darius Young led Tiger's Tale with 11.

Caffé Pizza spanked Summit 68-49 with Mike D'Allegro scoring 17, Chris Doyal and Geoff Card scoring 14 apiece, and Scott Schroeder scoring 10. For Summit, Rupert Johnson had 17, and Chris Rutledge and Al Lee each had 10.

On Friday, Summit beat Brookstreet 54-32. Ken Durfee had 24 for the winners, and Mike Pemberton had 14. For Brookstreet, Derek Campbell had nine.

An impressive team effort from SMB resulted in a 47-33 win over Brookstreet. Every player who played for SMB scored at least two points, and nobody had more than 10. Keith Jones had nine, and Clarence White had eight. For Brookstreet, Scott Nolton scored 11.

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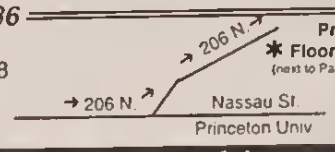

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Assisted Living

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overlay), had to be reintroduced by Committee because the Planning Board asked for a change in the overlay boundary to permit an area between the overlay zone and adjacent Griggs Farm to be developed for recreation. This ordinance has had a public hearing, but is awaiting the vote on final adoption because it makes reference to the R-SM ordinance, which has to be reintroduced.

This ordinance permits residential market housing restricted to age 62 and up on the Shopping Center tract. On Monday night, after a lengthy struggle, four members of the five Township Committee members agreed to remove the restriction on unit size, which the Planning Board had set an an average maximum of 1,000 square feet, and to increase the density from 10 units per acre proposed by the Planning Board to 11 units per acre. Committeeman Carl Mayer did not go along with his colleagues, saying he favored the lower density because it was what the neighbors wanted and smaller units because they were intended by the Planning Board to produce housing that would be affordable to moderate income seniors.

Third Ordinance

The third ordinance is the one that allows nursing homes and assisted living facilities as conditional uses in the Township's two office-research zones, the service zone off Bayard Lane, and the R-T zone, which is the Arcaro tract off Cherry Valley Road. Originally, the Shopping Center site was listed as one of the zones in which assisted facilities would be permitted as a conditional use, but Committee decided in late June to delete the Shopping Center site for this purpose.

Therefore this ordinance also needs to be reintroduced. Committee plans to reintroduce the R-SM and the Assisted Living and Nursing Homes ordinances at its next meeting, Monday, August 19. Both ordinances would then go back to the Planning Board for a vote on whether or not to recommend them to Township Committee for adoption. Committee expects to vote on all three senior housing ordinances at one time, probably at its meeting on Monday, September 16.

Until the assisted living ordinance is formally adopted, Mr. O'Connor and his partners can only take the initial steps with the state, which they have done in obtaining the certificate of need and in mapping the wetlands surrounding the stream that runs through the rear of the property and applying for the wetlands letter of interpretation.

He confirmed that Quality Assisted Living Inc. is proposing a 100-unit, 120-bed, single building facility that would be located in front of the stream. The extra 20 beds assumes some married couples sharing a single unit. This is the maximum permitted by the proposed ordinance, which also stipulates a minimum tract size of five acres in the OR zone in which the tract is located; a floor area ratio of 30 percent and a maximum impervious coverage of 40 percent. The maximum height in this zone would be 45 feet; it is 35 feet in the other two zones in which assisted living facilities would be permitted conditionally.

Mr. O'Connor did not identify his partners, except to say they have "long experience in the area of assisted living and health care facilities" in other areas of New Jersey. "We think there is a tremendous need for this kind of facility in Princeton," he said.

Mr. O'Connor said the partnership's counsel has shown them the many drafts of the assisted living ordinance and they were aware of the controversy surrounding Sunrise Assisted Living's proposal for the Shopping Center site. He said he thought the opposition seemed to be about the site and its size rather than the facility itself.

"We are hopeful that the township will adopt the ordinance," Mr. O'Connor said. "If we are allowed to build the facility, it will be a marvelous facility."

"Make Up Your Mind"

Noting that several surrounding townships have also recently received certificates of need for assisted living facilities and several more have applications pending, he suggested that Princeton will have to "make up its mind" soon if it wants its own facility, because the market could go to the surrounding townships and leave Princeton behind.

In addition to Princeton Oaks, as Quality Assisted Living plans to call the facility, whose certificate of need was approved on May 21, a Philadelphia firm received approval for an 80-bed assisted living facility in South Brunswick Township and a California developer received approval for a 140-bed "Villas at the Ponds" in Jamesburg, both in May.

Applications for assisted care facilities that are being reviewed at the Department of Health include two 75-bed projects proposed by Presbyterian Homes of New Jersey, developer of Meadow Lakes continuing care retirement community in Hightstown. One, called The Pennington Home, is proposed to be located in Pennington, the other, The East Windsor Home, will be located in that township.

In West Windsor, a partnership headed by Anthony Mazzucca of Red Bank has an application for The Colonnade at Bear Creek, which would include an 80-bed assisted living facility along with 220 active senior apartments with dining and other services.

The Greenwood House Home for the Jewish Aged in Ewing Township is proposing a 100-bed Greenwood House Assisted Living facility in Ewing, while a Livingston developer is proposing a 165-bed facility in Franklin Township to be called The Enclave at Somerset.

Closer to Princeton and already under construction is Windrows at Forrestal Village, a continuing care retirement community on part of the former Princeton Nurseries lands that will include an 80-unit assisted living facility along with a 180-bed long term skilled care facility, a 156-unit apartment-style independent housing facility, and 120 age-restricted units.

—Barbara L. Johnson

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: Arthur and Marguerite Bruvik of Belle Mead celebrated their 50th annivesary at a party at Good Time Charley's. Mr. Bruvik is a retired captain for Mobil Oil and Mrs. Bruvik was a secretary for G.R. Murray Associates in Princeton. The couple has three children and seven grandchildren.

New Campaign Chair Named by United Way

The United Way of Greater Mercer County has announced that Steven B. Oppen, vice president of administration, NEC Research Institute, has taken over the helm of the United Way of Greater Mercer County 1996/1997 Campaign.

Mr. Oppen, a member of the United Way's campaign cabinet for the past three years, is a graduate of the University of Rochester and received his MBA from the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. He has been with NEC Research since 1989. His previous positions include director, financial planning & administration, Clinical Research Division, Smith Kline Beecham Corp., and director of capital planning, Merck & Co.

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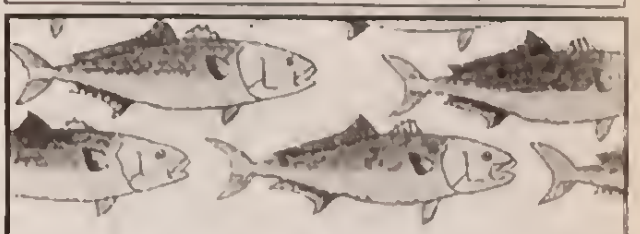

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that will destroy the very character of the historic Borough we are trying to save."

The minority report takes issue with the idea that the Borough's inability to develop new rateables hangs over its head like a guillotine. It states that, in order to be acceptable, new rateables are likely to be housing of an acceptably low density, since other types of rateables pose a threat to the ambiance of Township neighborhoods.

Donald Stokes

The dissenters write, "The rateables argument is fatally flawed, however, in that much experience has shown that such rateables bring in more expense than revenue, and that they tend to increase tax rates."

Commission Warns Of Incentives

The Commission report warns that the continuation of two Princetons would create incentives for the Township to dissolve some of the arrangements for sharing services with the Borough. There are currently 17 consolidated services, which cover such areas as planning, health, and recreation.

"A new mood in the Township questions whether the Borough should enjoy a full spectrum of municipal services when it pays less than one dollar out of three toward the cost of those it shares with the Township, while retaining equal voice in their operation," the report states.

The minority report views this from a different perspective. "Such tensions have always existed, and have been resolved amicably in the past. To the extent that they exist they would be transferred to any new consolidated governing body, where the interests of the residents of one of the former municipalities might be less well represented than is currently the case."

The majority opinion that a united Princeton could deal more effectively with its tax-exempt institutions and with external development pressures is also questioned in the report signed by Mr. Blair and Mr. Angrisani.

They state that both the cost-sharing policies of the tax-exempt institutions and the development decisions of surrounding communities are very effectively insulated by state law against pressures from the municipal governing bodies.

As seen by the two dissenting Commission members, the Consolidation Commission was able to unearth few if any clear, unambiguous and significant advantages to consolidation.

Current Conditions Good

The Commission report outlines a list of existing conditions that it believes opens the way for consolidation.

These include a sense of community; shared commitments; a neutral effect on state aid and on county and school taxes; a neutral effect on merging debt; curbside garbage collection for all Princeton with optional side- or rear-yard pickup; and a neutral effect on affordable housing obligations.

The Consolidation Commission also determined that there would be a neutral effect on average tax rates of combining tax levies. It stated that the tax rate of the new town of Princeton was likely to produce a small reduction in the tax bill of the average Borough household and a small reduction in the total cost of municipal services (the sum of the tax bill

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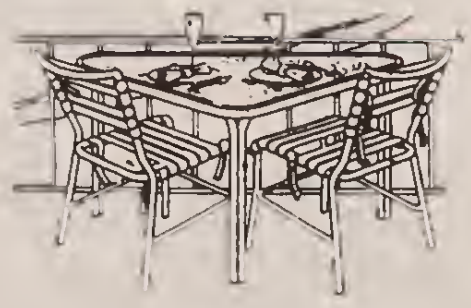
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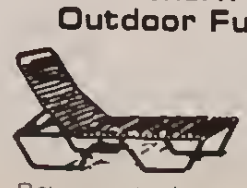
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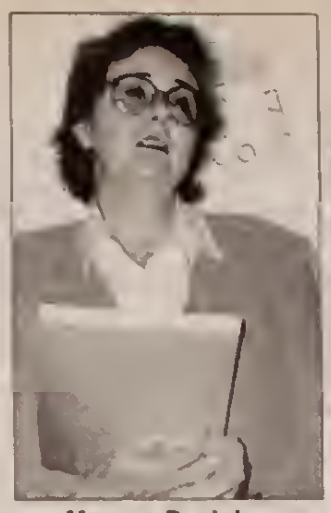

Margen Penick

The Commission recommends that a united Princeton have the Borough form of government, with a directly elected mayor and six members of council elected at large to overlapping terms in partisan elections. It also suggests that, within seven years of the creation of one Princeton, a charter commission should undertake a full review of the form of government to affirm its effectiveness or recommend modifications.

The Consolidation Commission believes that the cost of transition from two municipalities into one will be $300,000 to $400,000, including $200,000 for consultants. State law entitles Princeton to $300,000 in transition aid, but this is subject to approval by the Legislature.

An Earlier Report

Unlike the 1979 report recommending consolidation, the current report opens the possibility of layoffs due to consolidation by stating that layoffs for reasons of consolidation may only take place after December 31, 1998.

Approval by voters in November of this year would usher in a transition period that would run through elections for a new government in November, 1997, and inauguration of the new governing body on January 1, 1998.

The July 1979 report, "A Unified Princeton," endorsed the principle that consolidation should not lead to the dismissal of any employees. It stated, " ... those reductions in number of personnel that will be feasible as a result of consolidation shall be accomplished over a period of time through retirements and resignations."

The current report notes that there is potential for eliminating three duplicate senior administrative positions: one administrator, one assistant administrator, and one municipal clerk. This is in addition to a possible reduction of four police officers.

A Long History

In November 1995, voters in both the Borough and Township approved setting up a commission to study whether to consolidate the two Princetons.

The study squeaked through in the Borough by 24 votes, while triumphing by 3½ to 1 in the Township.

In November 1979 — the last time consolidation was on the ballot — Borough voters rejected merger by 33 votes. The Township had voted for consolidation by more than 2-1.

In November 1991, voters were asked whether to study consolidation. The study was rejected by 377 votes in the Borough and approved 2½ to 1 in the Township..

In November 1953, consolidation of the Borough and Township appeared on the ballot for the first time. It was defeated in both municipalities.

Members of the current Joint Consolidation Commission are, from the Borough, Albert Angrisani, Karen Hegener, Claire Jacobus, Margen Penick (co-chair) and Howard Sereda. Those elected from the Township are David Blair, Patricia Cherry, Kay McGrath, Andrea Schutz, and Donald Stokes (co-chair).

It's possible that some of their friends and families might have trouble remembering what they look like, since the Commission, as a body, met for at least 216 hours over the past nine months. This is in addition to the work done in sub-committees and by individual members.

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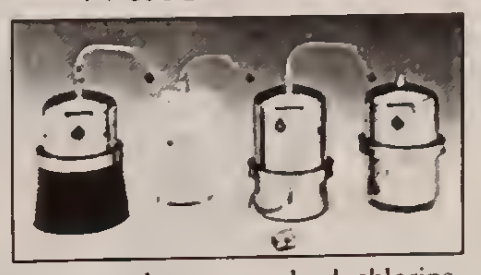

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OBITUARIES

Cornelia W. Reeder, 72, of Hopewell, died August 3 at home. Born in Dallas, Tex., she lived in Princeton for 30 years before moving to Hopewell.

Mrs. Reeder graduated from high school in Plainfield and attended Connecticut College in New London, Conn., and Katherine Gibbs School in New York City. A former editorial assistant at Vogue magazine and a former librarian at The Hun School, she was a real estate agent with Stockton Real Estate and a member of the Present Day Club and the Garden Club of Princeton.

She was on the board of directors of First Church of Christ, Scientist in Princeton and was on the board of the Friends of Hopewell Public Library.

Wife of the late John M. Reeder, she is survived by a son, John W. Reeder of Boxford, Mass.; two daughters, Barbara W. Reeder of Lawrenceville and Cornelia J. Mitchell of Bedford, N.Y.; a sister, Elizabeth Wales of New York City and seven grandchildren.

A memorial service was scheduled to be held Wednesday, August 7, at All Saints' Church, All Saints' Road. Memorial contributions may be made to First Church of Christ, Scientist, 16 Bayard Lane, Princeton 08542, or to the Hospice Memorial Fund of the Medical Center at Princeton, 253 Witherspoon Street, Princeton 08542, or to a memorial garden, c/o Cornelia Reeder Mitchell, 28 Aspetong Road, Bedford, N.Y., 10506.

Anna M. Henderson, 78, died August 2 at Princeton Medical Center. Born in Princeton, she was a lifelong resident of Princeton.

Miss Henderson was a self-employed dressmaker and a cosmetic company sales representative. She was a member of Princeton United Methodist Church and the Women's Circle of the church. She was an avid local historian and contributed articles to the Princeton Recollector housed at the Historical Society of Princeton. She was also a member of Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Daughter of the late Hanna and Joseph L. Henderson, she is survived by a brother, Carl J. Henderson of Princeton; cousins Earl and Frances Henderson and Marian Callighan, all of Princeton; and their children.

The service was held Tuesday at Kimble Funeral Home, the Rev. James H. Harris Jr., pastor of Princeton United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was in Princeton Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Anna M. Henderson Memorial Fund, c/o Princeton United Methodist Church, 7 Vandeventer Avenue, Princeton 08542.

Ruth M. Warshefski, 74, of Belle Mead, died July 30 at Princeton Medical Center. Born in Mt. Carmel, Pa., she lived in Belle Mead most of her life.

Mrs. Warshefski was a member of Rocky Hill Reformed Church, Montgomery Senior Citizens and the Ladies VFW Auxiliary in Mt. Carmel.

Wife of the late Harry and mother of the late Harry Warshefksi, she is survived by three sons and two daughters-in-law, Robert and Donna Warshefski of Belle Mead, Charles Warshefski and Carol of Neshanic, and Thomas and Jean of Bound Brook; a daughter-in-law, Joan Warshefski of Belle Mead; two sister, Dorothy McDonald and Betty Janoslewicz; four brothers, Harold, Edwin, Tom and Ray, all of Pennsylvania; eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

The service was held Saturday at a Hopewell funeral home with burial in Franklin Memorial Park, New Brunswick. Memorial contributions may be made to the Rocky Hill Rescue Squad, Washington Street, Rocky Hill 08553, or Rocky Hill Reformed Church, Washington and Reeves streets, Rocky Hill 08553.

Mary S. McManimon, 85, died July 31 at Princeton Nursing Home and Rehabilitation Center. Born in Princeton she was a lifelong area resident.

Mrs. McManimon retired in 1975 as an operator from N.J. Bell Telephone, with more than 40 years of service. She was a member of N.J. Bell Telephone Pioneers.

Wife of the late Thomas R. McManimon and sister of the late Carrie Notta, she is survived by a son, Thomas R. McManimon Jr. of Kendall Park; two daughters, Mary E. Malko of Princeton and Carolyn Caullett of Union Beach; two brothers, Thomas Servis of Millville and Norman F. Servis of Little Rocky Hill; eight grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

The service was held Friday at Mather Hodge-Funeral Home with burial in Princeton Cemetery.

Jeanette "Jean" Mooney, 79, of Hopewell Township, died August 5 at home. Born in Trenton, she was an area resident for 30 years.

Ms. Mooney was a graduate of Rider College and Westminster Choir College. Before her retirement she was choir director for the Forest City, N.C. Methodist Church, the Presbyterian Church of Ocala, Fla., Hopewell Presbyterian Church and Titusville Presbyterian Church. She was also a bookkeeper for Integro Inc. of Trenton.

She was a former member of the Pennington Women's Club and Bill Holcombe's Group-Holiday of Song.

Surviving are two brothers, Thomas Mooney of Pennington and William Mooney of Hamilton; two sisters, Helen Holcombe of West Trenton and Elizabeth Dorley of Fairless Hills; and several nieces and nephews.

The service will be held Thursday, August 8, at 10 at Pennington United Methodist Church, 60 South Main Street, Pennington, the Rev. James Hofacker, pastor, officiating. Interment will be in Ewing Church Cemetery.

Patricia A. Breece, 64, of Kingston, died July 31 at Princeton Medical Center. Born in Princeton, she was a lifelong Kingston resident.

Mrs. Breece was a telephone operator for Princeton University for more than 20 years. She was a former member of the Ladies Auxiliary of Kingston Volunteer Fire Co.

Wife of the late Raymond Breece, she is survived by her son, Kevin J. of Kingston; her mother, Rose McDonald of Princeton; and a brother, James McDonald of Kingston.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Saturday at St. Paul's Church with burial in St. Paul's Cemetery.

Emily P. Lanzi, 93, of Pennington, died August 3 at home. Born in New York, she lived in Pennington for more than 50 years.

Mrs. Lanzi retired in 1963 from General Motors Corp., Inland Fisher Guide Division in Ewing Township after 20 years of service. She was a member of St. James Church in Pennington and the Mount Carmel Guild.

Wife of the late Joseph R. "Joe Reno" Lanzi and sister of the late Rudolph Edward and Joseph Pallay, Anna Ford and John Pallay, she is survived by two daughters and a son-in-law, Evelyn and Evan Savidge of Queenstown, Md., and Rena Domanski, with whom she resided; a sister, Wilma Belinsky of Seaside Heights; six grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and two nieces and two nephews.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Tuesday at St. James Church, Pennington, with burial in Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery, Hamilton Township. Memorial contributions may be made to Wake County Special Olympics, P.O. Box 590, Raleigh, N.C. 27602.

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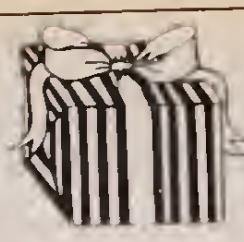

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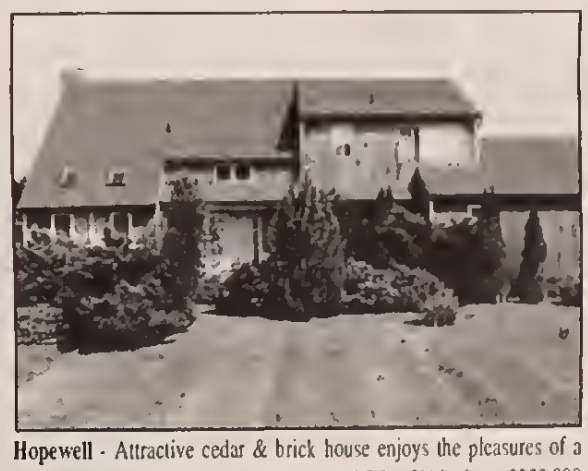

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Bunker Hill Lutheran Church will show the film *Power Play* Sunday, August 25, at 6.

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String of Pearls, a participatory, egalitarian Princeton-based congregation devoted to spiritual and intellectual enlightenment in a Jewish context, will hold its next service Friday, August 16, at 7:30 at a member's home in Princeton. Visitors are welcome.

String of Pearls offers rabbiled and Havurah-style services and study groups from August through June. Hebrew school and bar/bat mitzvah classes are available. Families, singles, interfaith couples and children are welcome.

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Princeton Church of Christ will hold a divorce recovery seminar Friday, August 9, at 7:30. Bruce Wadzeck, minister and counselor will guide the discussion on "Learning to Let Go."

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Connie Mercer, director of the Greater Princeton Exchange Club, will speak on homeless families in motels, how they get there and how they can get out, Sunday, August 11 at 10 in Fahs Theatre of the **Unitarian Church** of Princeton. The church is located on Cherry Hill Road near Route 206.

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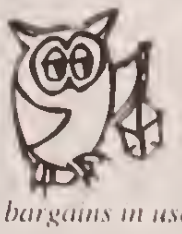
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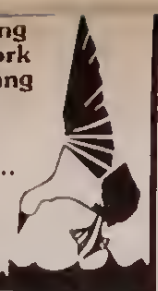

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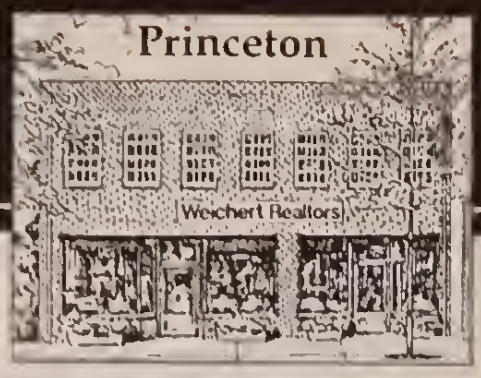

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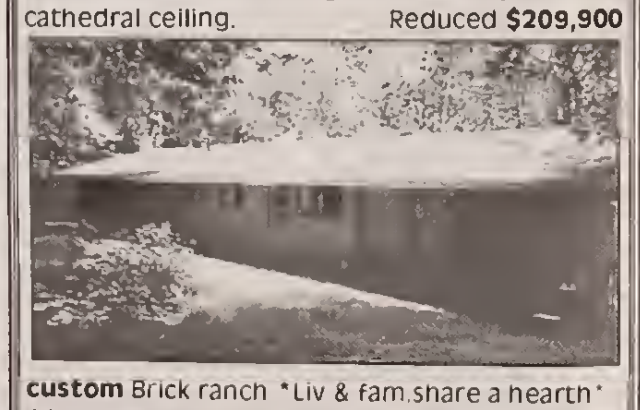

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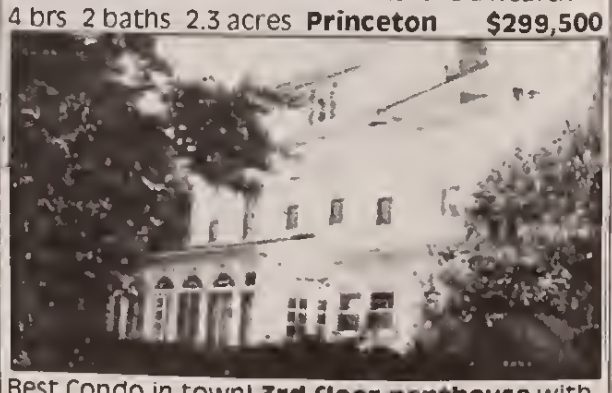

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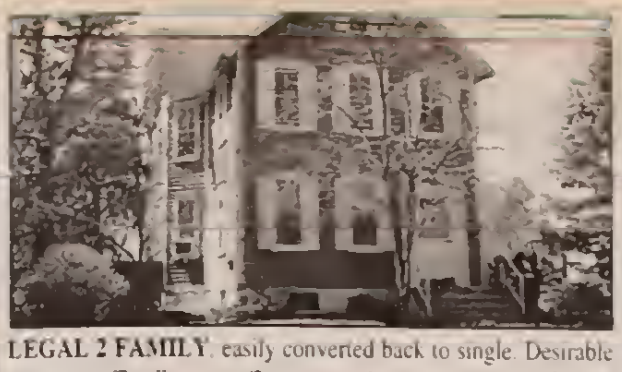

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